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ANTI-SPAZ HARD

SO WE WERE HIKING TO THIS
REALLY COOL CAMPSITE FOR A
BOWL OF CAP'N CRUNCH!!



WHEN WE CAME TO THIS
WEIRD LOOKING BRIDGE!
THEN THE CAP'N DROPPED IN AND YELLED
"JUST THINK OF WHAT YOU WANT AND
GO FOR IT!"



THE THOUGHT OF THAT
SWEET DELICIOUS
CRUNCH GOT US RIGHT
OVER THAT BRIDGE!

GOTTA HAVE
THAT CRUNCH!

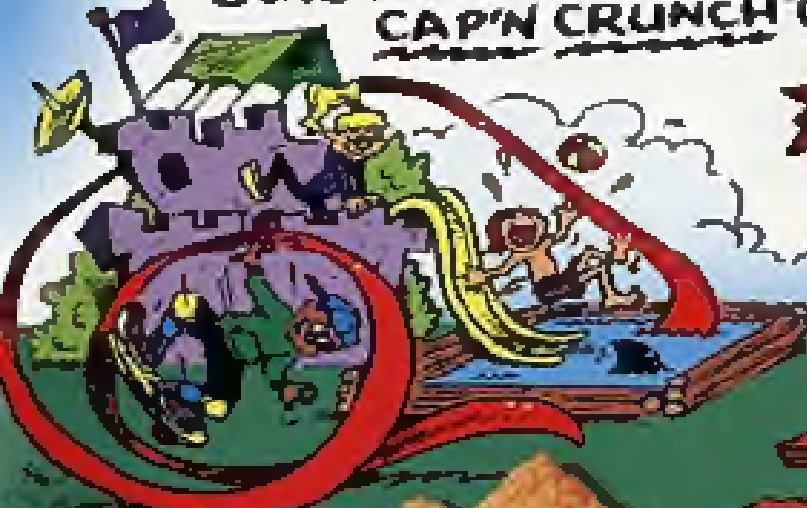
YUM!

After!

HAT'S HOW WE GOT TO OUR
AWESOME CAMPSITE AND
OUR HUGE BOWLS OF
CAP'N CRUNCH CEREAL!

YOU AND THE CAP'N
MAKE IT HAPPEN!

CRUNCH!







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...and one shall save him!

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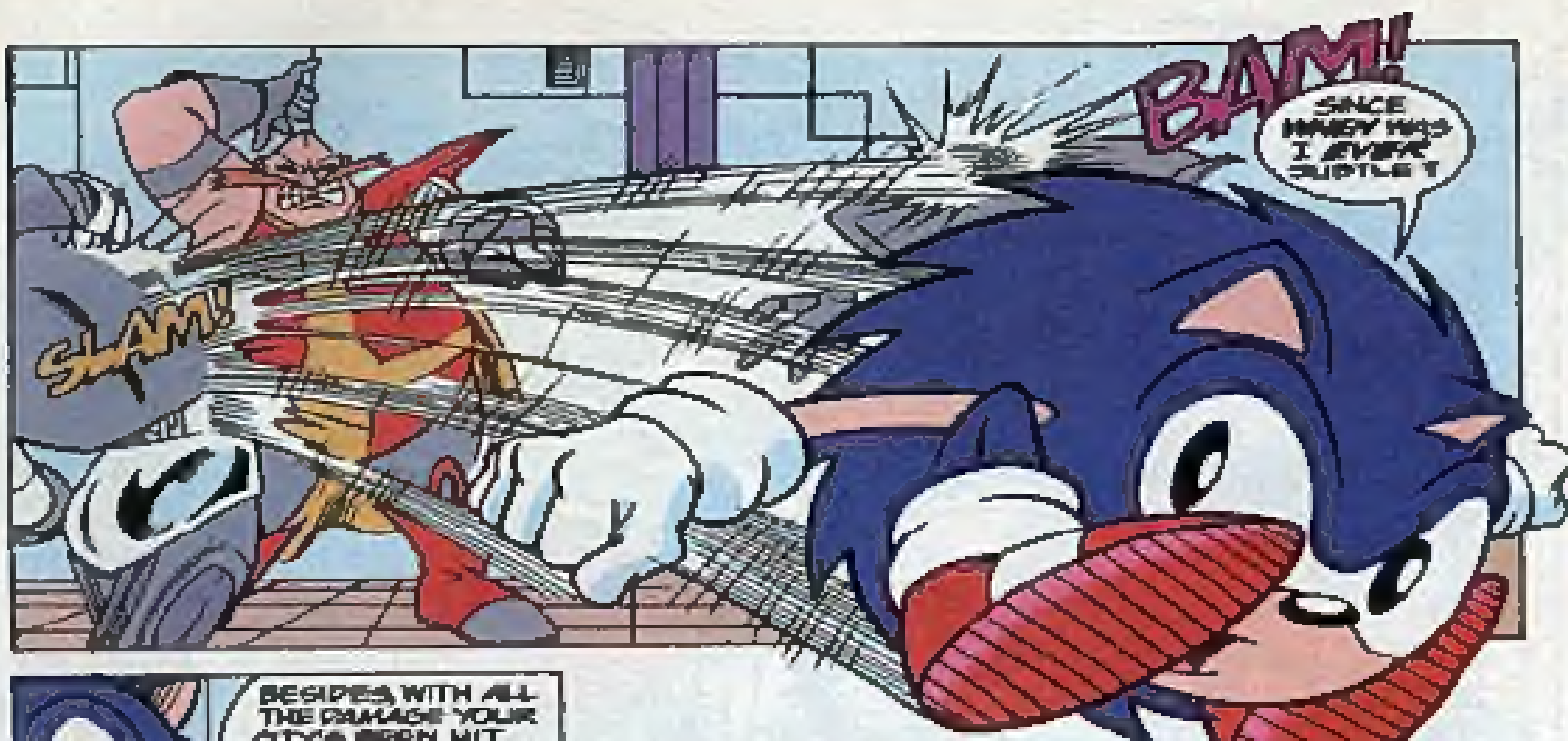


ONE-WAY

YOU MUST THINK
YOU'RE SO GOLDEN-
FYING ME LIKE
THIS!

I-
F-2000

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ONLY ONE NETWORK IS TURNING
SUNDAY INTO CARTOON FUN-DAY!

JUMANJI
THE MOUSE AND THE MONSTER
THE INCREDIBLE HULK
B.A.D. (BUREAU OF ALIEN DETECTORS)



BACK TO BACK
COOL CARTOONS

UPN
KIDS

EVERY SUNDAY
MORNING 9AM

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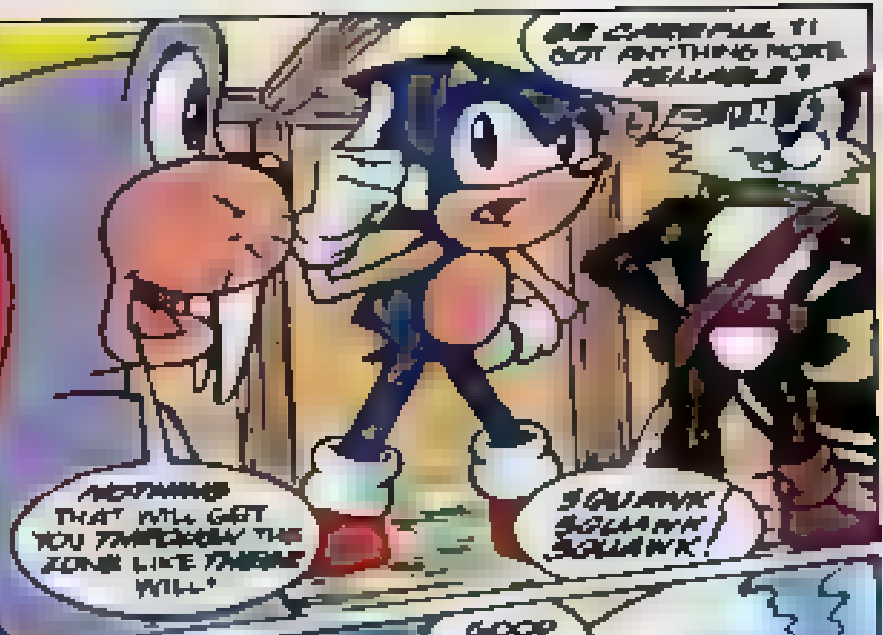
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THESE JET HATS
I'D BE SHYED SHOULD
HANDLE MANEUVERING
THROUGH THE ZONE!
HEHEHEHE!

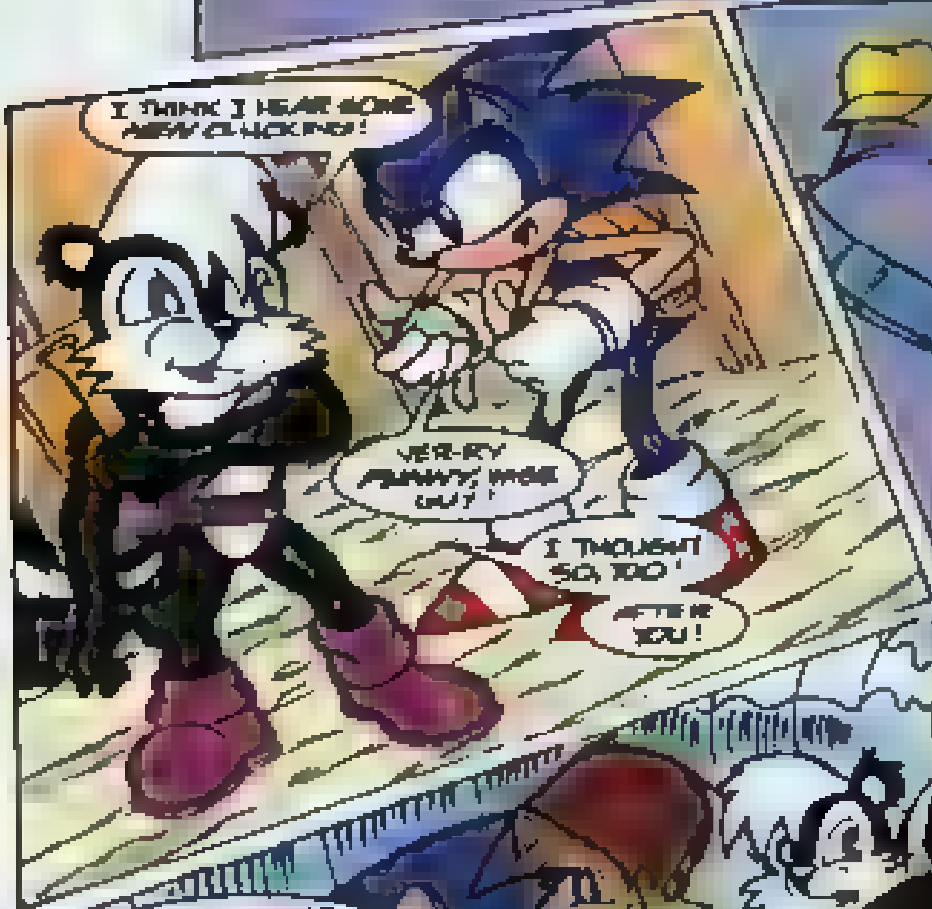
I HAVEN'T HAD
THE CHANCE TO FULLY
WORK OUT ALL THE BUGS
SO BE CAREFUL!



BE CAREFUL, I
DID ANYTHING MORE
RELIABLE?

ANYTHING
THAT WILL GET
YOU THROUGH THE
ZONE LIKE THESE
WILL!

SQUAWK
SQUAWK
SQUAWK!

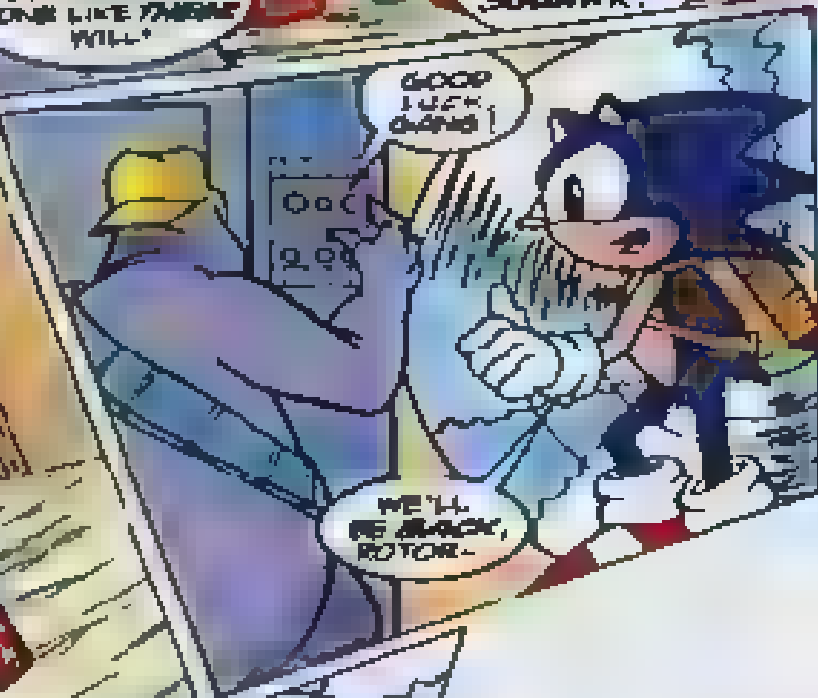


I THINK I HEAR SOME
NEW CLICKING!

VERY
FUNNY, HUH
WUT?

I THOUGHT
SO, TOO!

AFTER
YOU!



GOOD
LUCK
GANG!

WE'LL
BE BACK,
ROTOR!



AND DON'T
FORGET TO
LEAVE THE LIGHT
ON FOR US!

NOT
TO MENTION
THE WELCOME
MAT!

JUST DUMP
BACK GAVE AND
SOUND!

End
of
Part
1

...and one shall save him!

POW!!

I SENSE
HIS ARRIVAL!

SONIC
THE
HEDGEHUG

THE ONLY
FOE TO INVADE
MY DOMAIN
AND ESCAPE MY
WRATH!

HE WILL
NOT BE SO
FORTUNATE

- THIS
TIME!

EH?

WHAT IS
IT, ROADY?

I BEG YOUR
LORDSHIP'S
INDULGENCE.

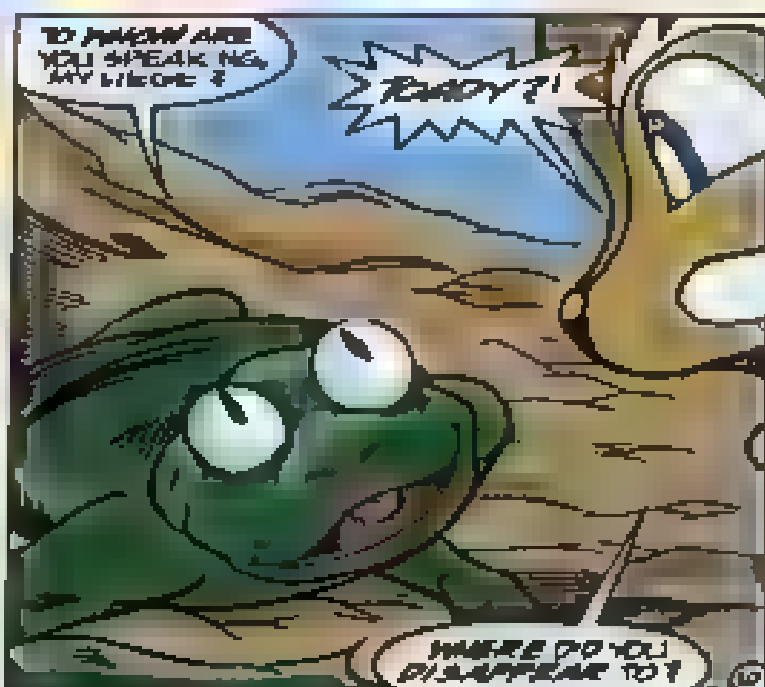
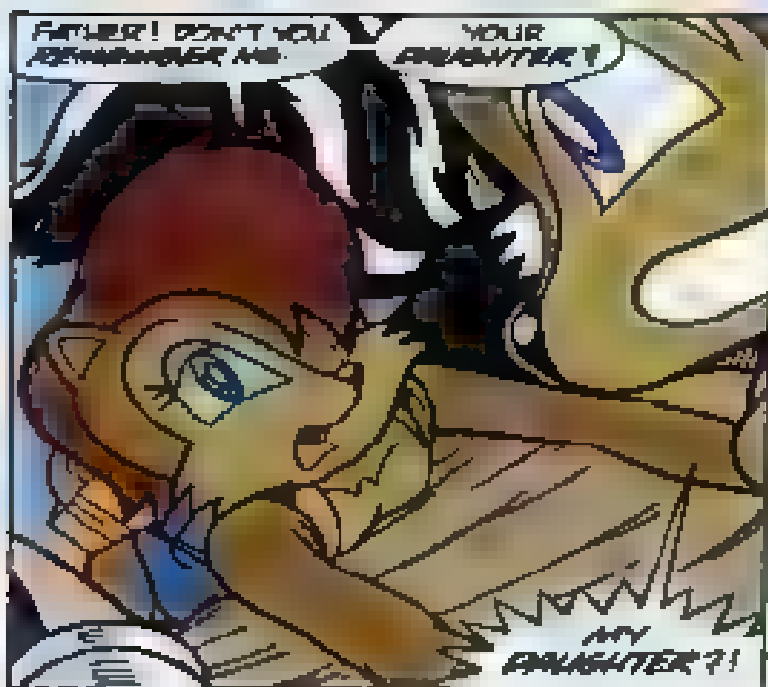
- BUT IT'S BEEN AWHILE
SINCE THE PACK HAS BEEN
FED A DECENT MEAL!

ALL THEY ASK IS A
CATFISH OR TWO, SIRE!

YOUR CAREVELING IS IMPROVABLE, AS
ALWAYS, MY FAITHFUL FOOTSTOOL!

BUT
YOUR TIMING
LEAVES A LOT
TO BE
DESIRED!

HOWEVER

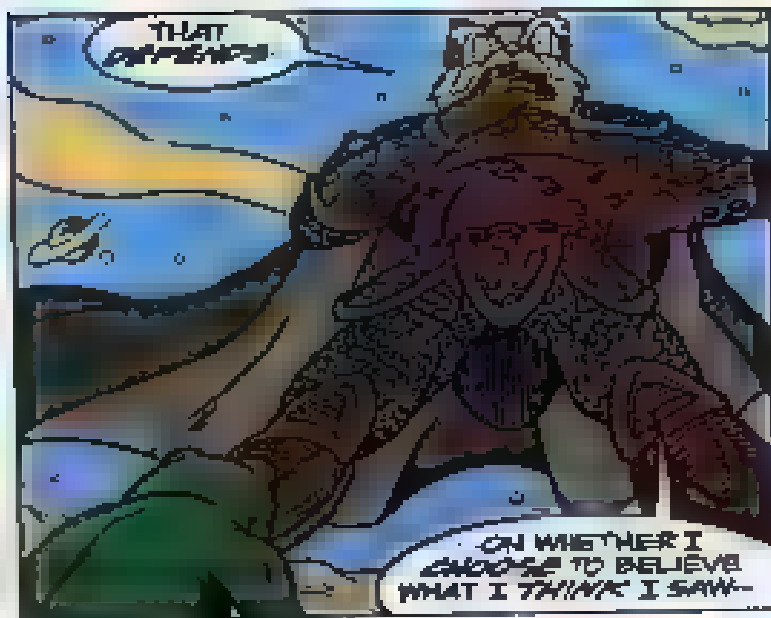




DISAPPEAR?
I HAVEN'T
GONE ANYWHERE,
S RE

I'VE
ALWAYS
BEEN
HERE!

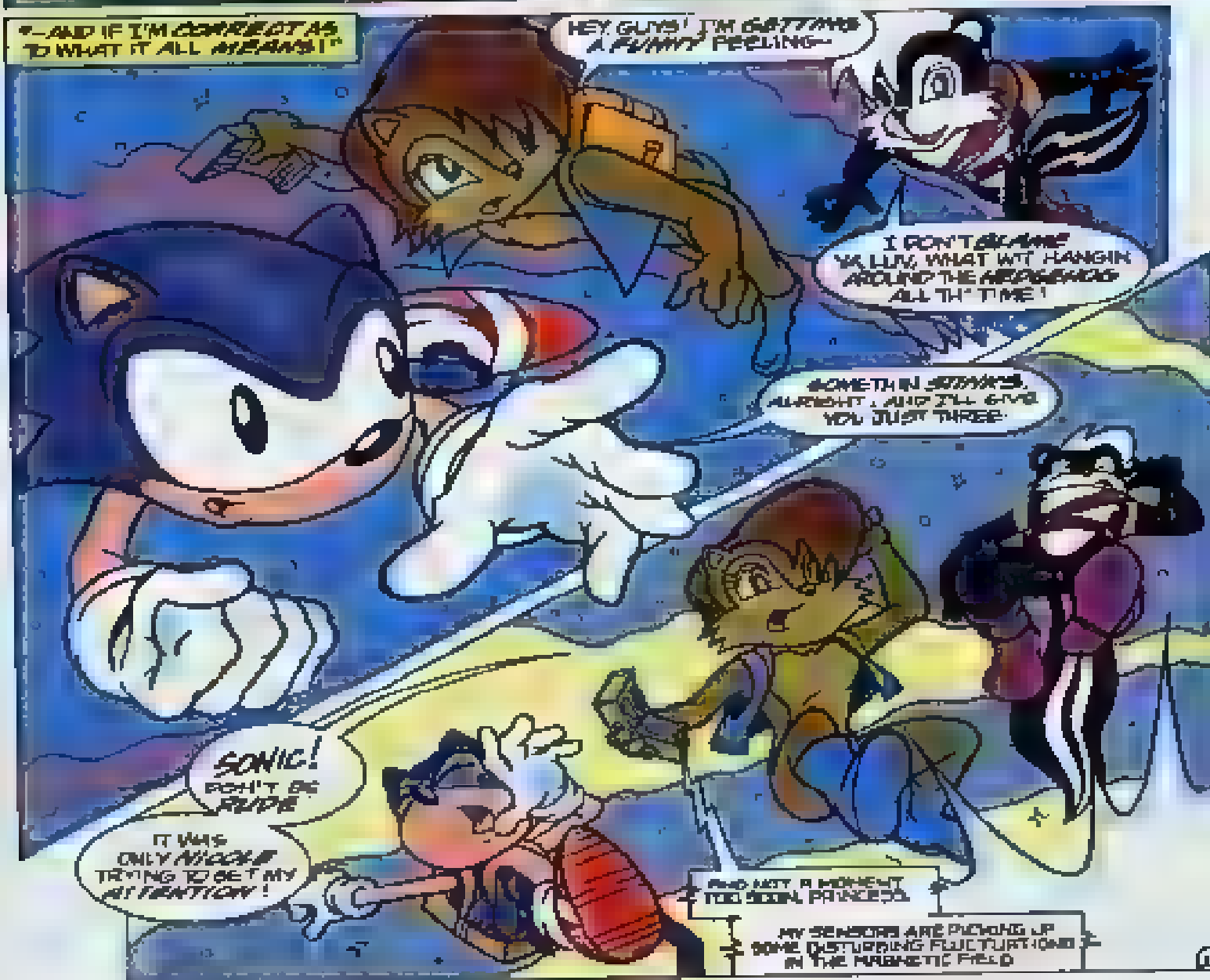
VS
SOMETHING
BROCKING?



THAT
DEPENDS

ON WHETHER I
CHOOSE TO BELIEVE
WHAT I THINK I SAW--

"--AND IF I'M CORRECT AS
TO WHAT IT ALL MEANS!"



HEY GUYS! I'M GETTING
A FUNNY FEELING--

I DON'T BELIEVE
YA LUV WHAT WIT HANGIN
AROUND THE HEDGEHOGS
ALL TH' TIME!

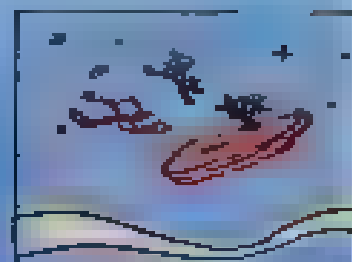
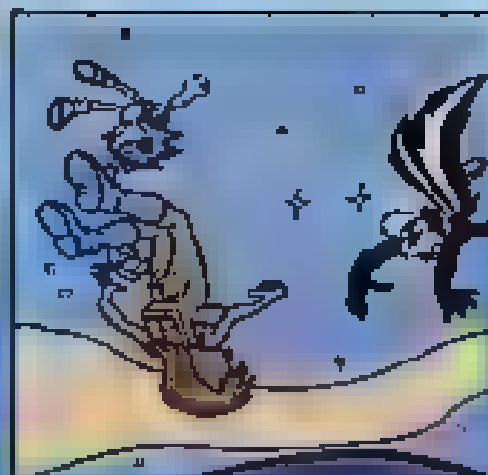
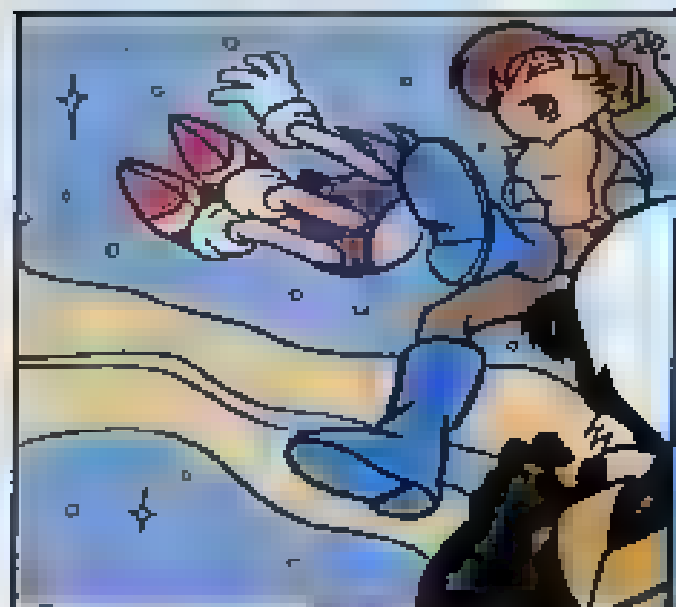
SOMETHIN SITTIN'S
ALRIGHT, AND I'LL GIVE
YOU JUST THREE--

SONIC!
DON'T BE
RUDE

IT WAS
ONLY A MISTAKE
TRYING TO GET MY
ATTENTION!

AND LET A MOMENT
TOO SOON, PRINCESS!

MY SENSORS ARE PICKING UP
SOME DISTURBING FLUCTUATIONS
IN THE MAGNETIC FIELD

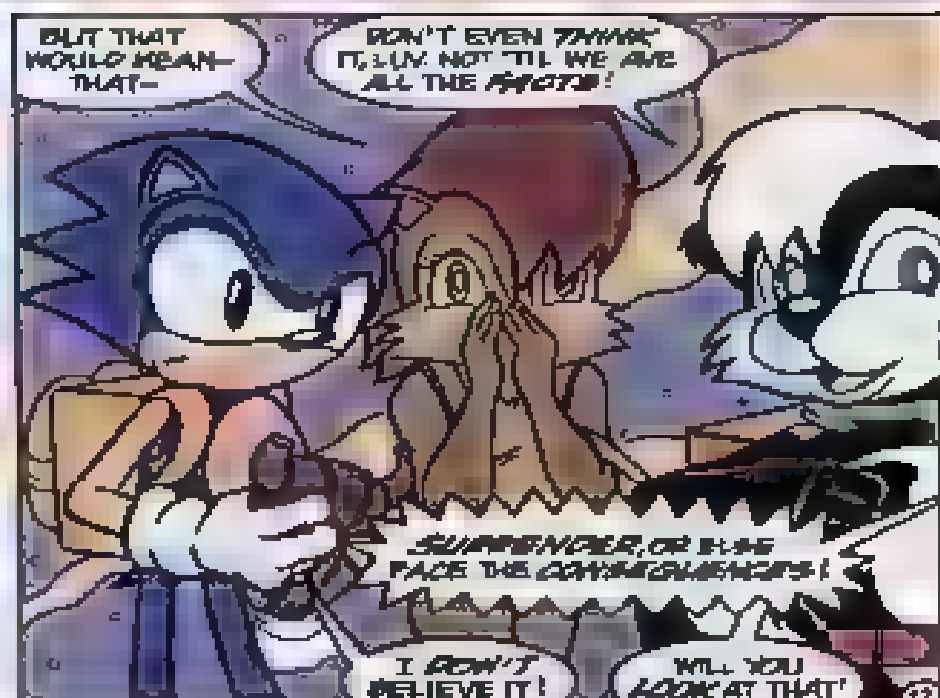
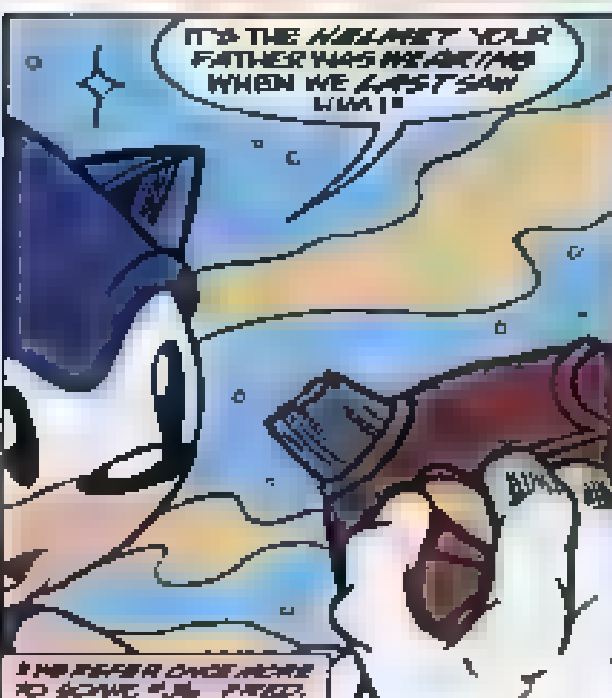
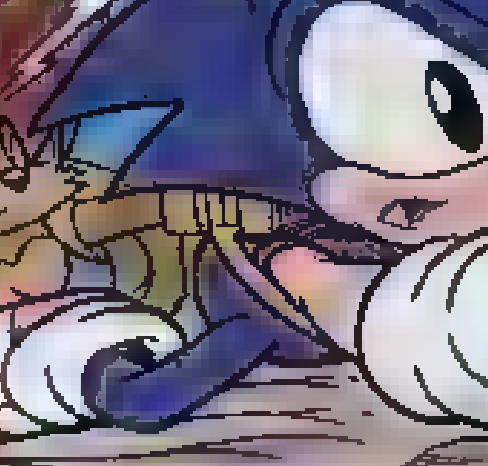


- FLUCTUATIONS
DID YOU SAY?

AN EARLY MORNING
WOULD BE APPRECIATED
NEXT TIME, NICOLE!

I TRIED,
PRINCESS

WHAT'S
THIS?



IT'S THE HELMET YOUR
FATHER WAS WEARING
WHEN WE LAST SAW
HIM!!

BUT THAT
WOULD MEAN-
THAT-

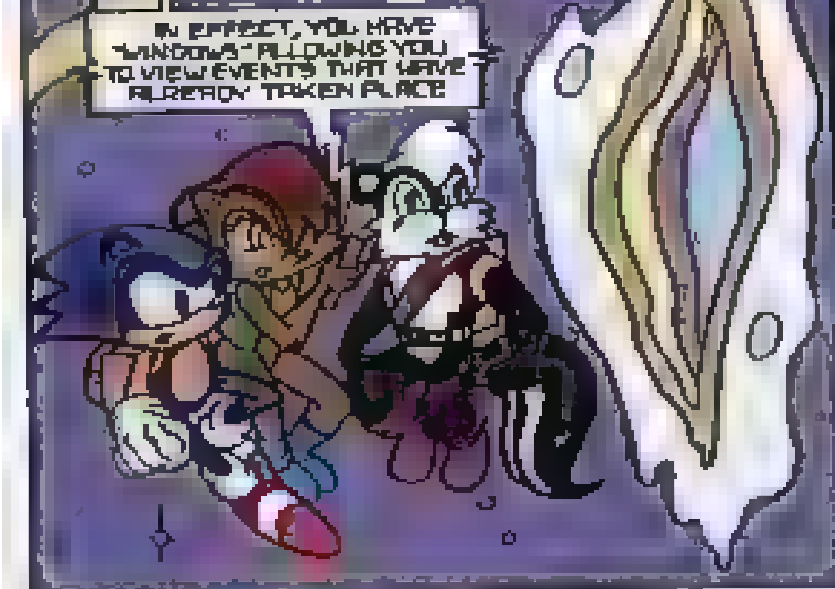
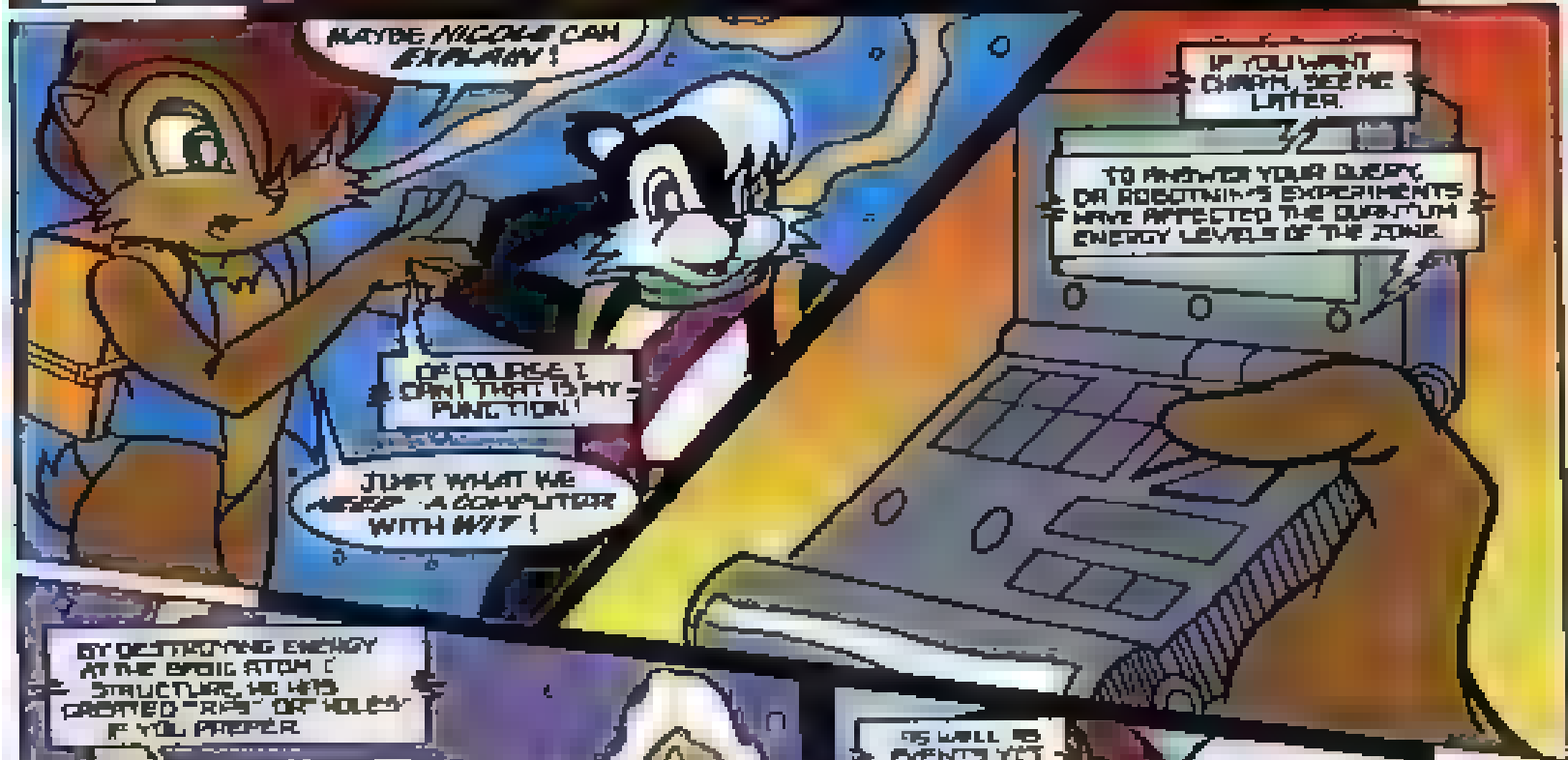
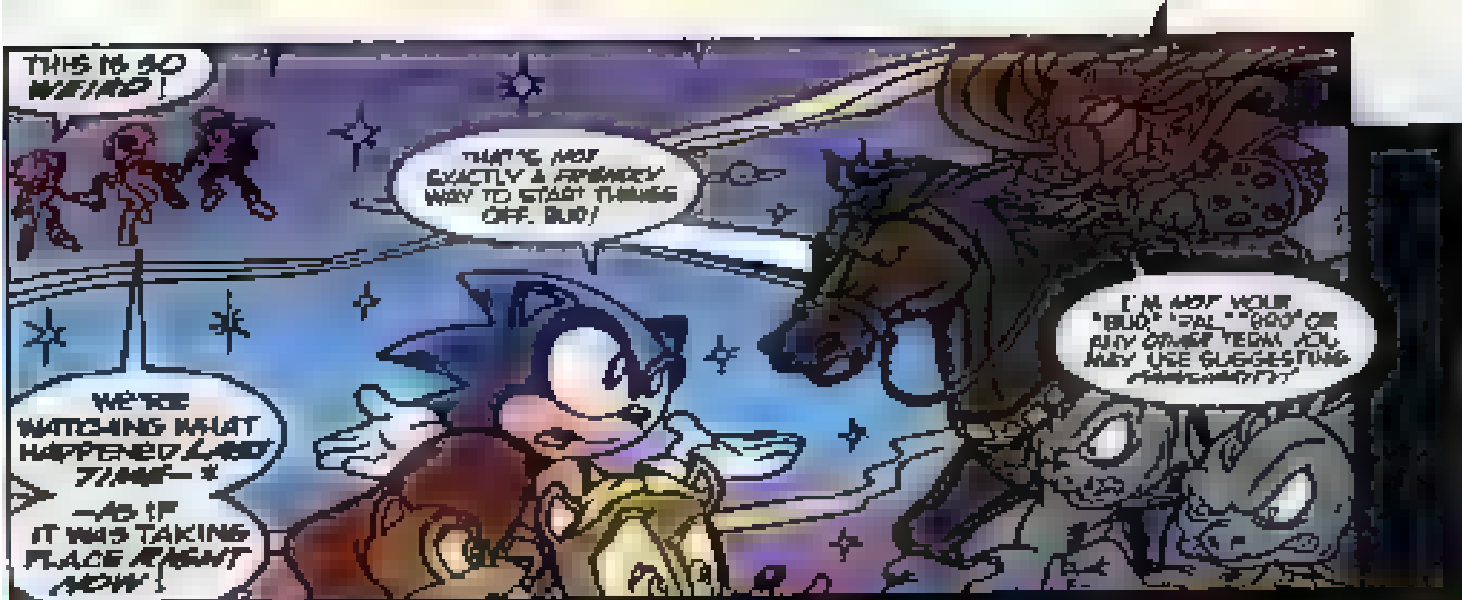
DON'T EVEN THINK
IT, UN TIL WE HAVE
ALL THE PROOFS!

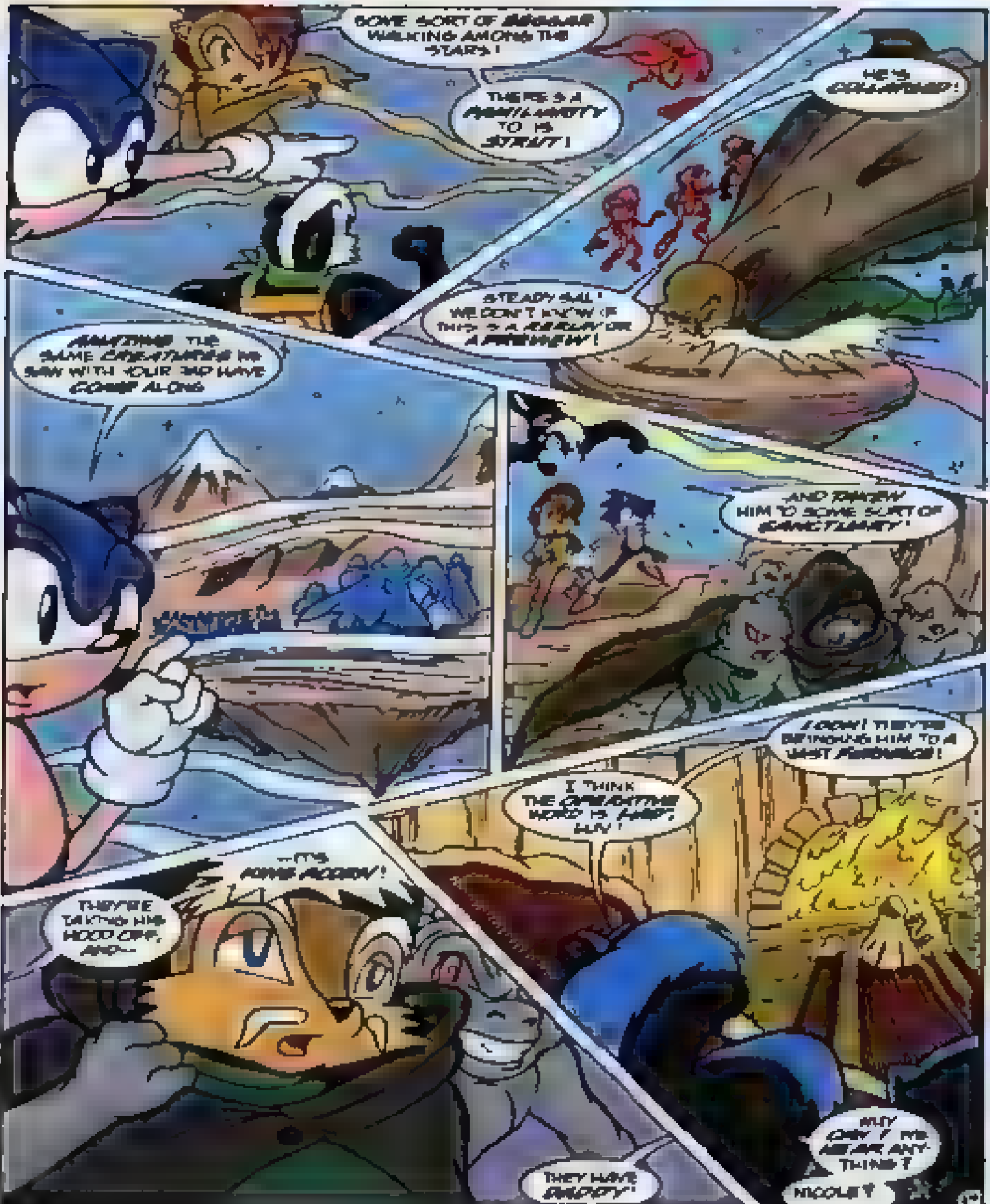
I'D PREFER ONCE MORE
TO SOME "JIL" FRED.

SURRENDER, OR ELSE
FACE THE CONSEQUENCES!

I DON'T
BELIEVE IT!

WILL YOU
LOOK AT THAT!





SOME SORT OF ENERGY
WALKING AMONG THE
STARS!

THERE'S A
FAMILIARITY
TO IT
STRAIT!

HE'S
COLLAPSED!

STEADY SAIL!
WE DON'T KNOW IF
THIS IS A REALITY OR
A PREVIEW!

ANYTHING THE
SAME CREATURES WE
SAW WITH YOUR MIND HAVE
GONE ALONG

AND TAKEN
HIM TO SOME SORT OF
SANCTUARY!

I DON'T THINK
BEING HIM TO A
LAST FORTRESS!

I THINK
THE CREATURE
HERE IS LOST,
HUN!

IT'S
A LONG AGONY!

THEY'RE
TAKING HIM
HOOD OFF,
AND...

THEY HAVE
SHIPPY!

WHY
DON'T WE
HAVE ANY
THING?

NICOLET

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Try this
trick
and see
what magic
you can make

A

B



Color Change Crystals Add Magic You Can Taste



A

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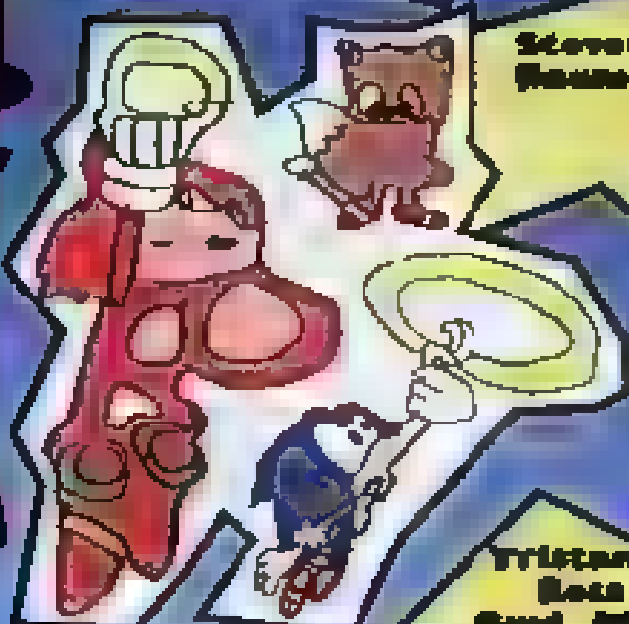
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Age 10



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Australia



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YOUR
NAME
IN
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PAGE"

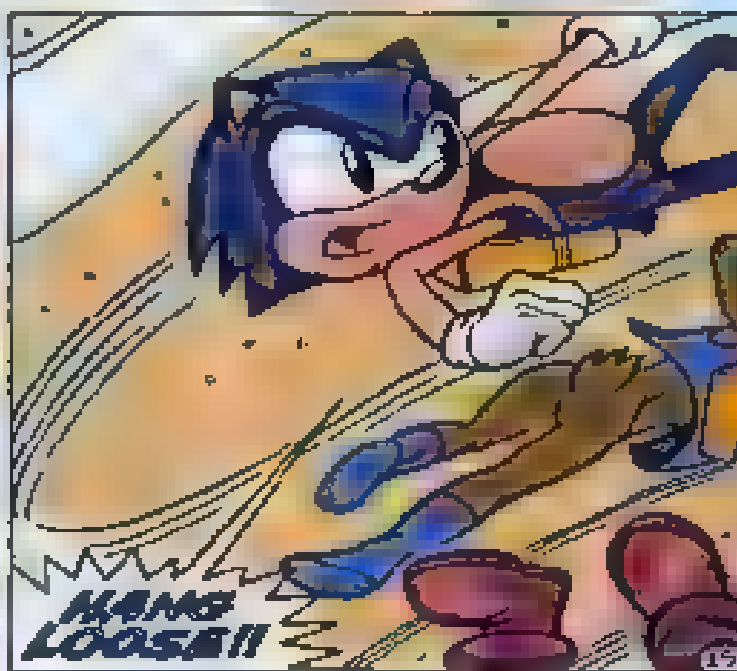
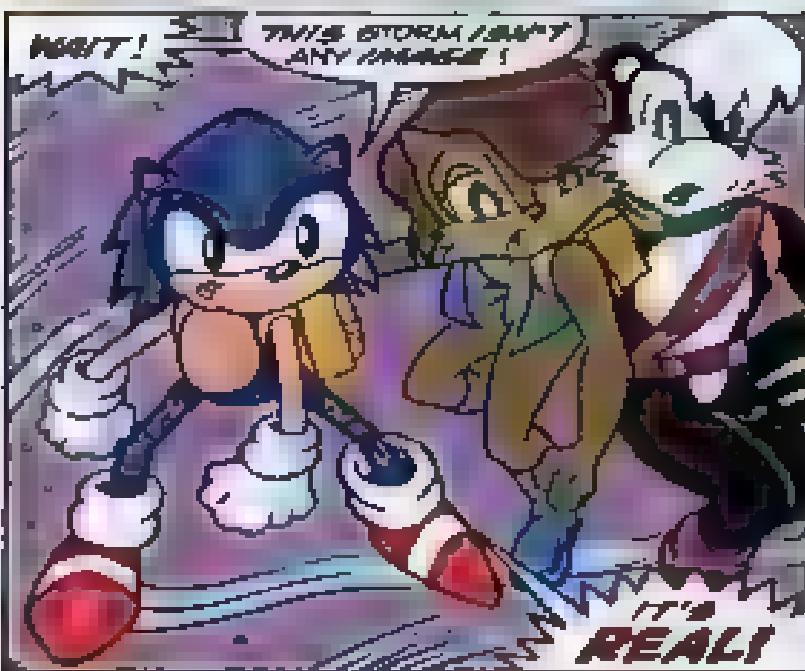
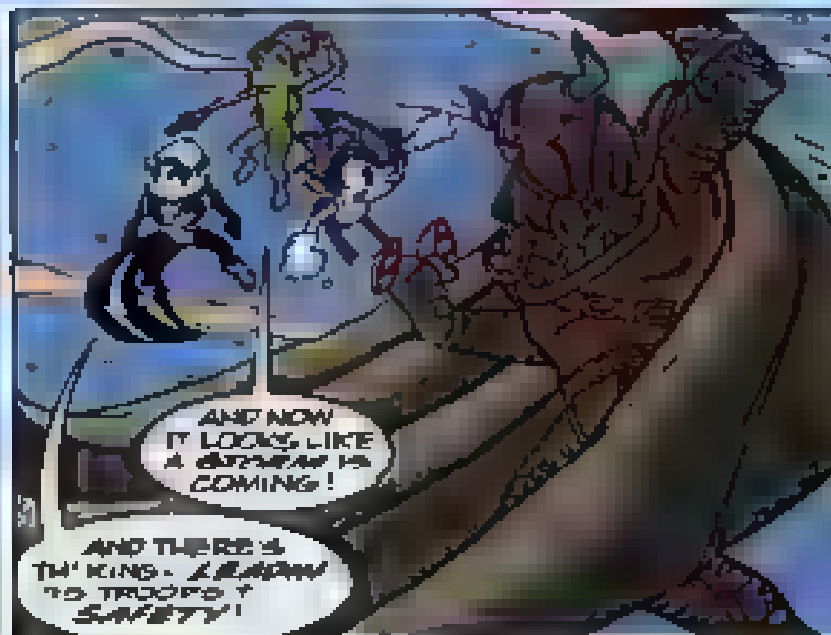
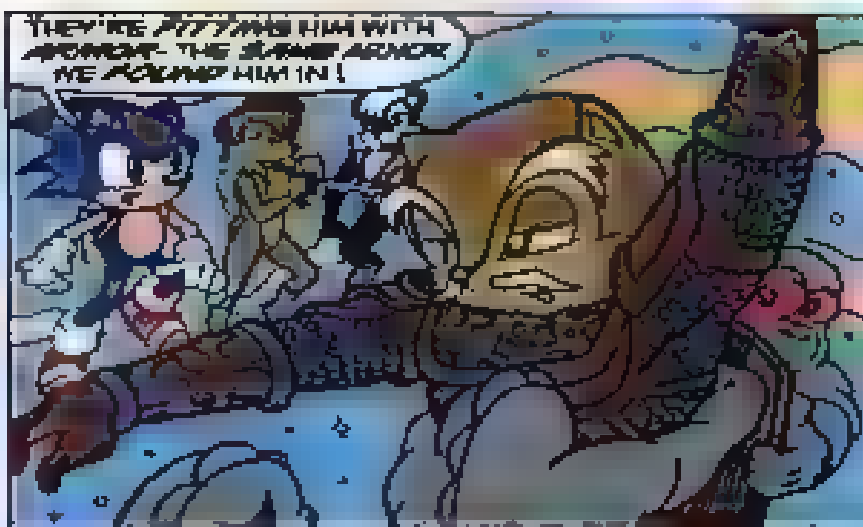
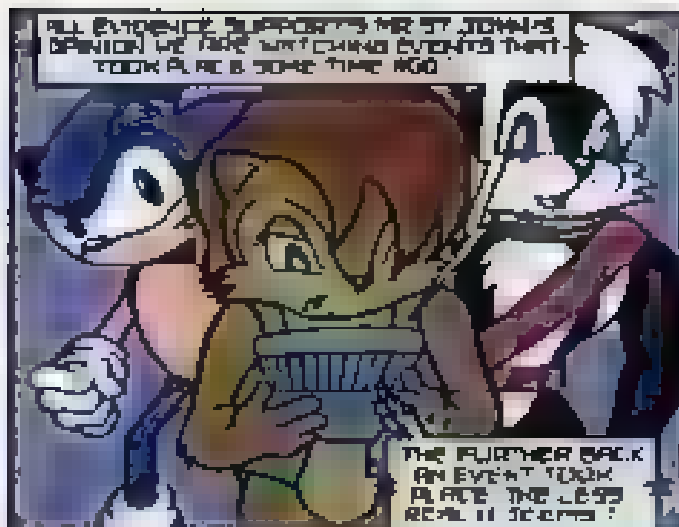
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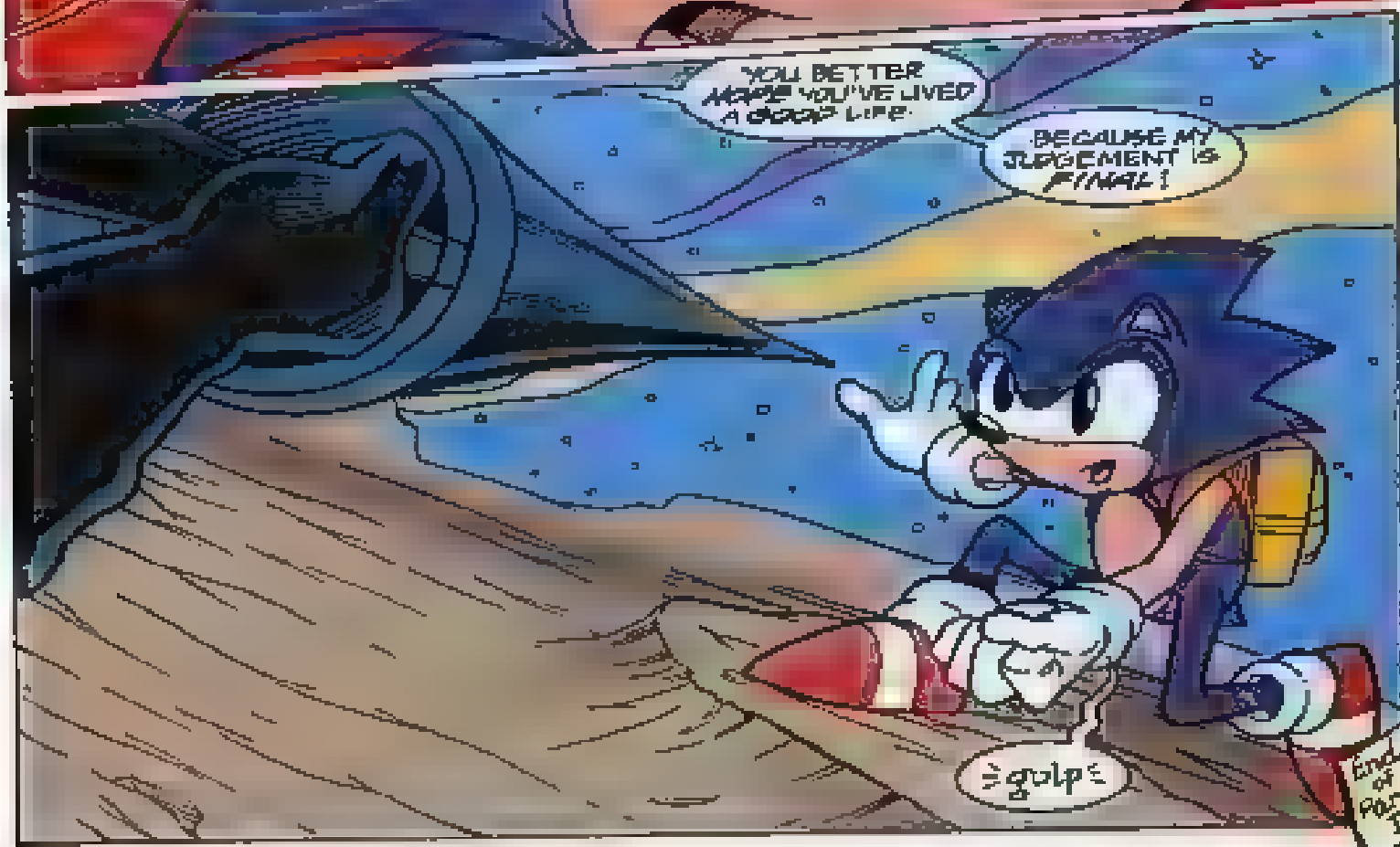
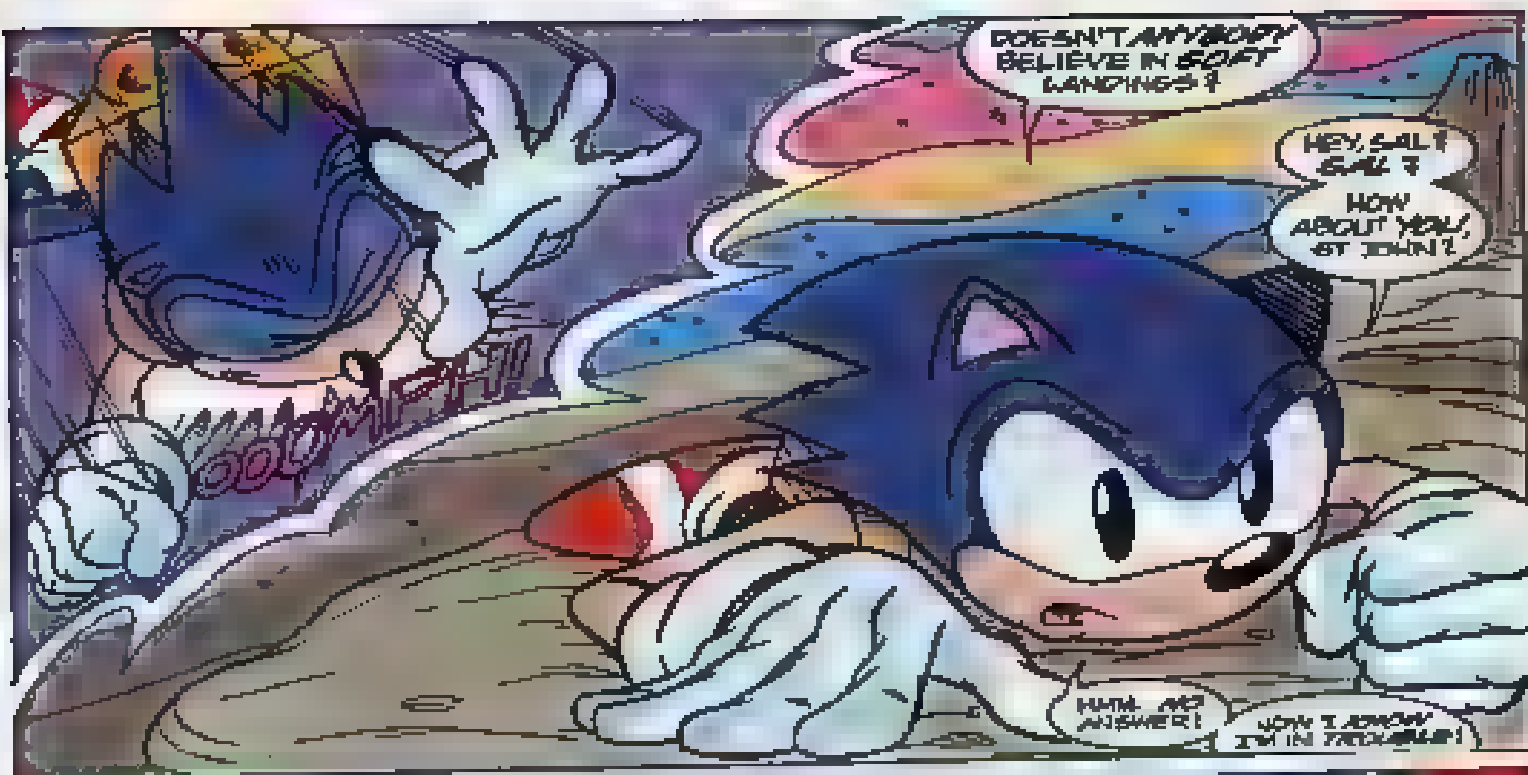
Costy Larson (Age 7), Zachary Smith with Steven Smith, Armande "Art" Makhmalbati (Thanks for the pictures. They were way cool!) Yvonne Duong, Jonathan Fowler, Daniel Hawley

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From Canada: Fanie Gregoire and Trevor Niemandswaard (Jowoll)
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THIS IS ONE TIME,

SONIC
THE
HEDGEHOG

— WHERE YOU
CAN'T OUTPACE
YOUR FATE!

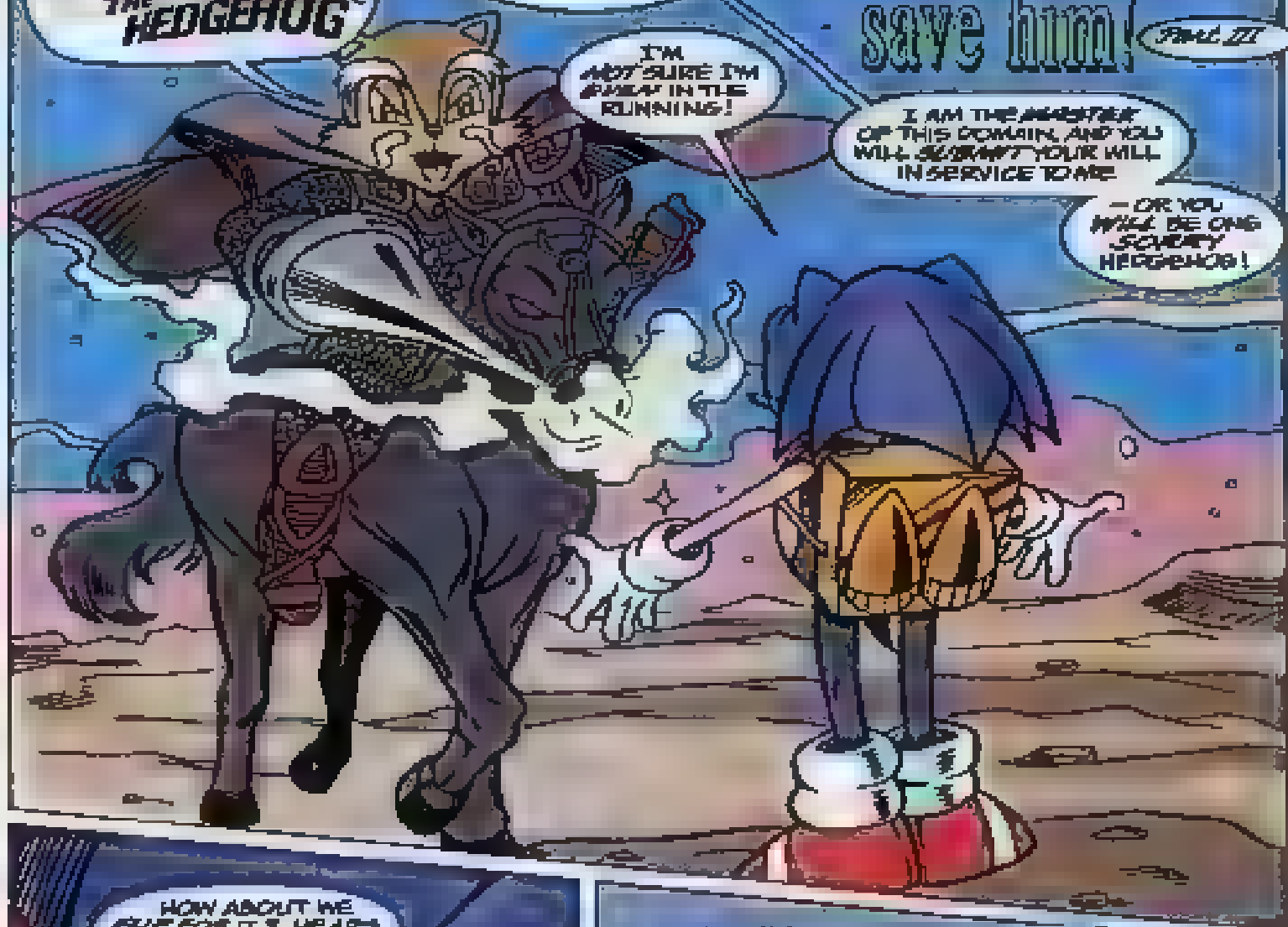
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NOT SURE I'M
FAST IN THE
RUNNING!

...and one shall
save him!

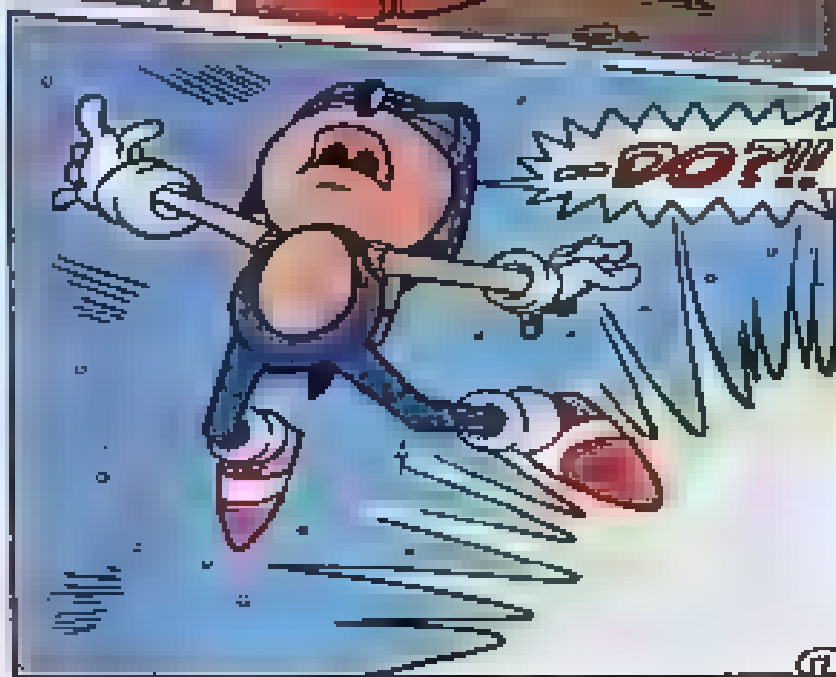
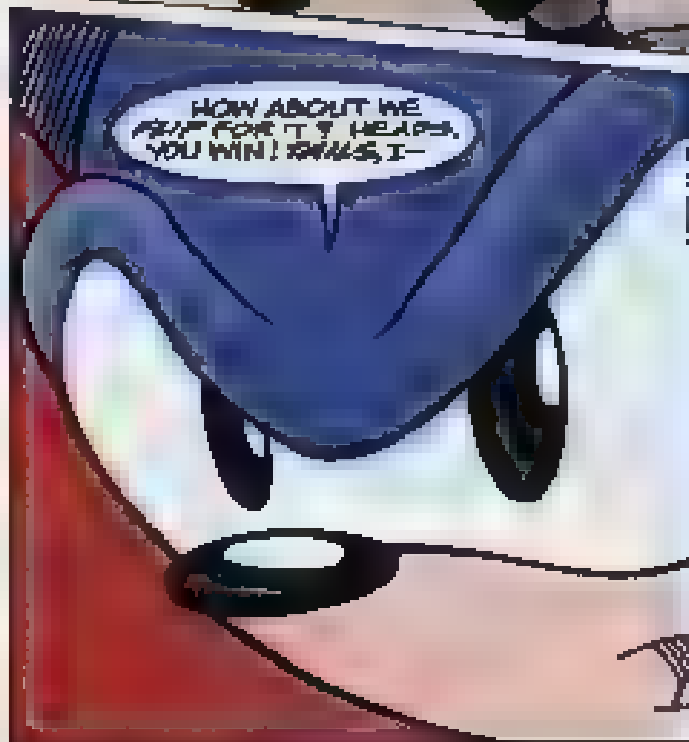
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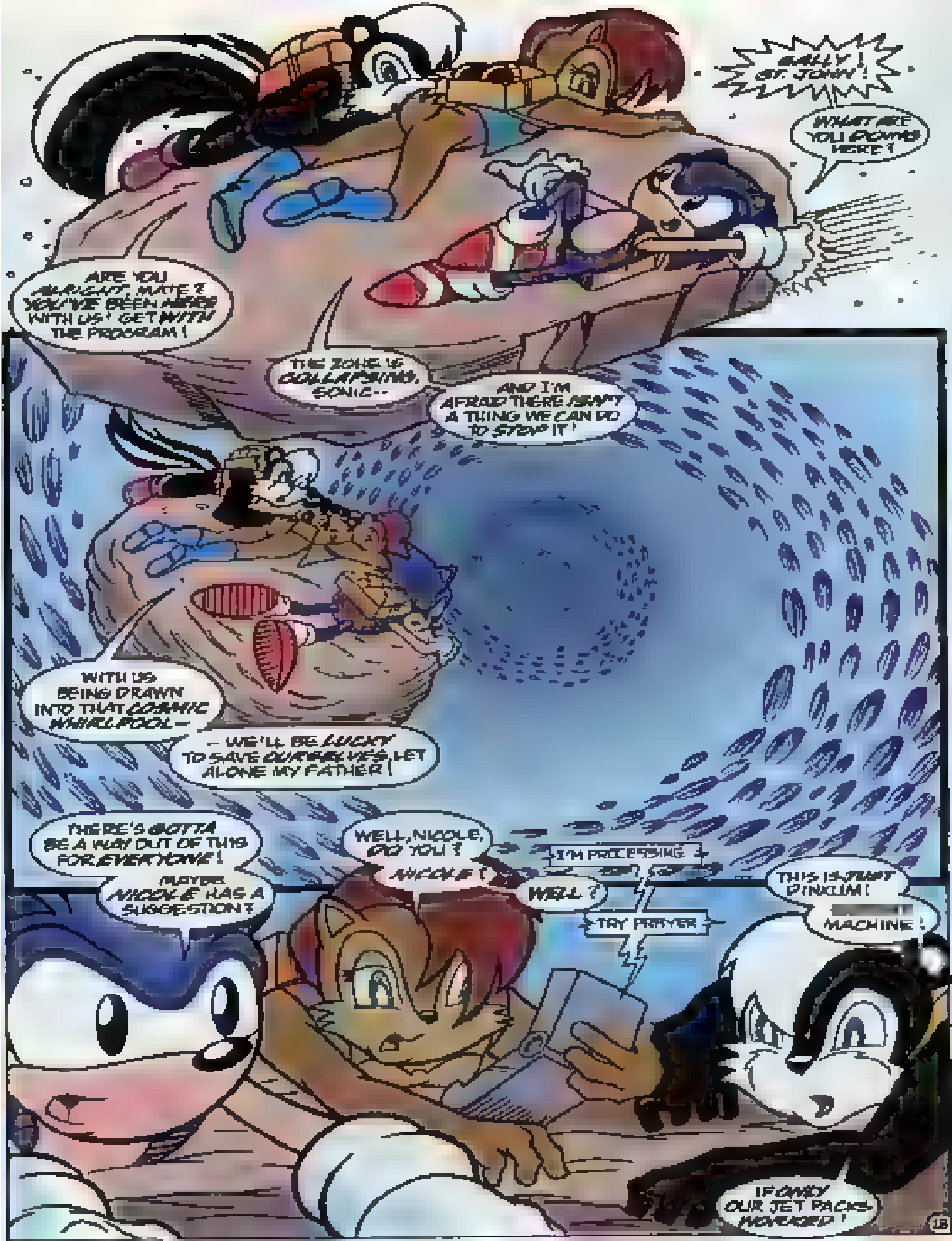
I AM THE MASTER
OF THIS DOMAIN, AND YOU
WILL SERVE YOUR WILL
IN SERVICE TO ME

— OR YOU
WILL BE ONE
SCRAWNY
HEDGEHOG!



HOW ABOUT WE
FLIP FOR IT? HEADS,
YOU WIN! TAILS, I—





BALLY!
OF JOHN!
ZEE WANN

WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
HERE?

ARE YOU
ALRIGHT, MATE?
YOU'VE BEEN HERE
WITH US! GET WITH
THE PROGRAM!

THE ZONE IS
COLLAPSING,
SONIC...

AND I'M
AFRAID THERE ISN'T
A THING WE CAN DO
TO STOP IT!

WITH US
BEING DRAWN
INTO THAT COMIC
WHIRLPOOL—

— WE'LL BE LUCKY
TO SAVE OURSELVES, LET
ALONE MY FATHER!

THERE'S GOTTA
BE A WAY OUT OF THIS
FOR EVERYONE!

MAYBE
NICOLE HAS A
SUGGESTION?

WELL, NICOLE,
DO YOU?

NICOLE?

I'M PROCESSING

WELL?

TRY PRAYER

THIS IS JUST
PINKIE!

MACHINE!

IF ONLY
OUR JET PACKS
MOVED!

INTERESTING
POINT!

JUST WHY
AREN'T THE
JET PACKS
WORKING?

ESSENTIALLY,
THEY'RE OUT
OF FUEL.

WELL, YES,
THAT'S AS GOOD
AN EXPLANATION
AS ANY, I
SUPPOSE!

ANYWAY, CAN
WE RECHARGE
THEM?

ONLY IF YOU ARE ABLE
TO ACCESS ENERGY WITH
A POSITIVE CHARGE.

CAN'T
RUN ON JUST
ANYTHING,
EH?

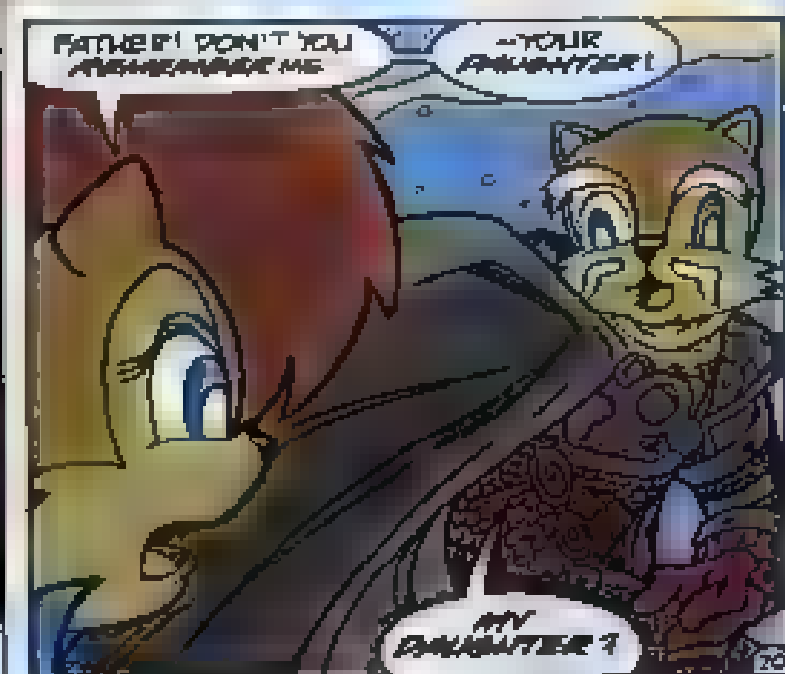
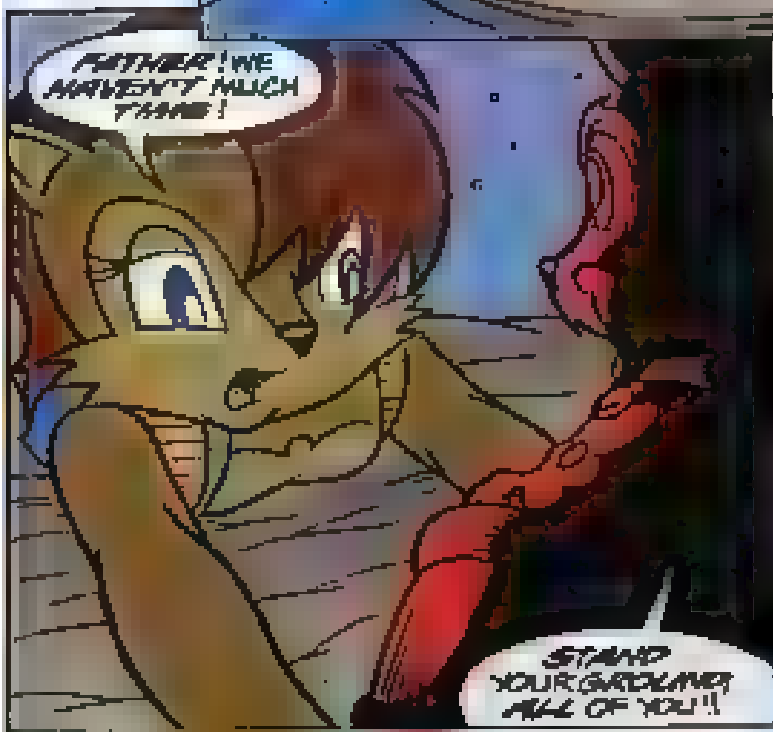
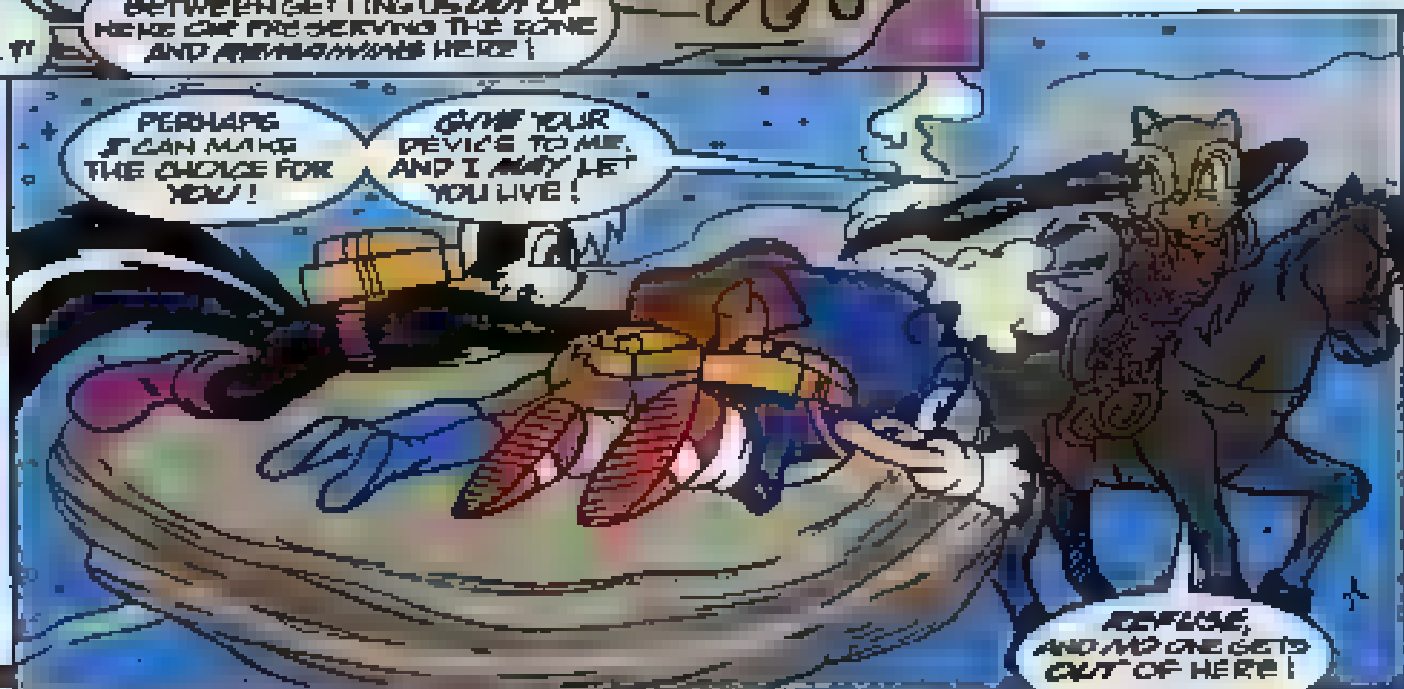
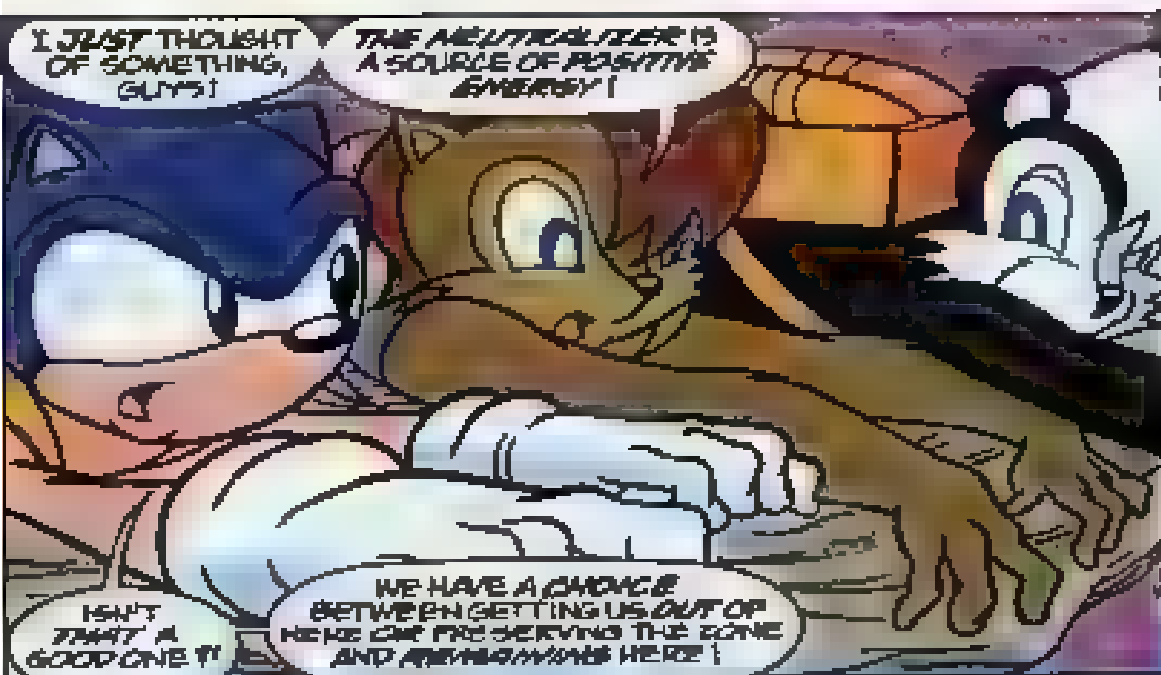
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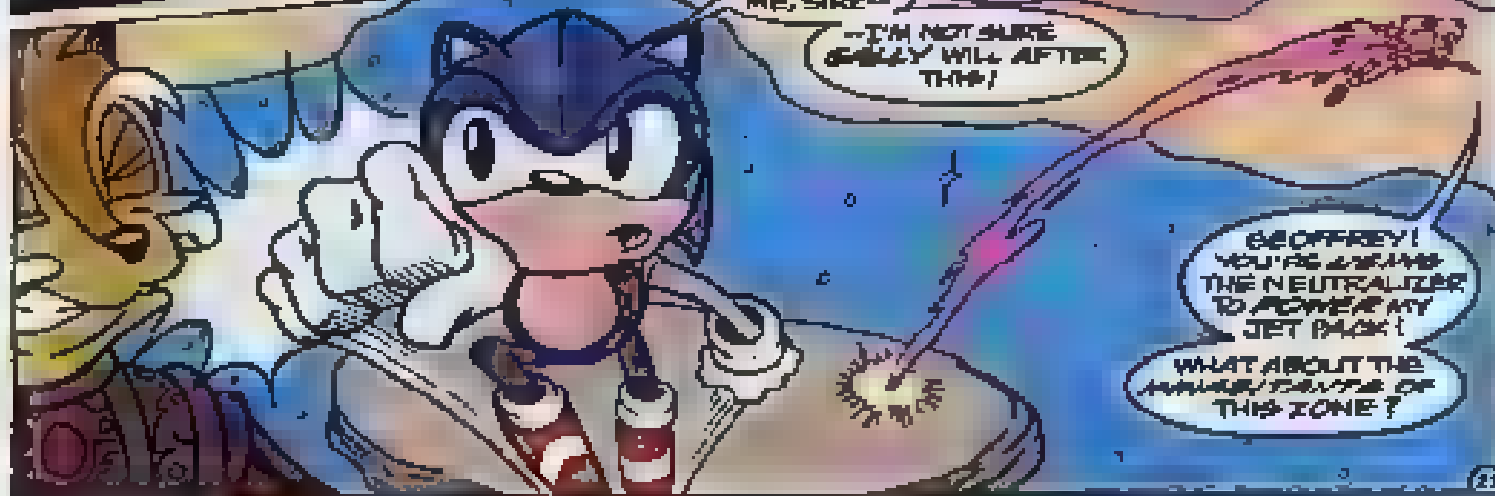
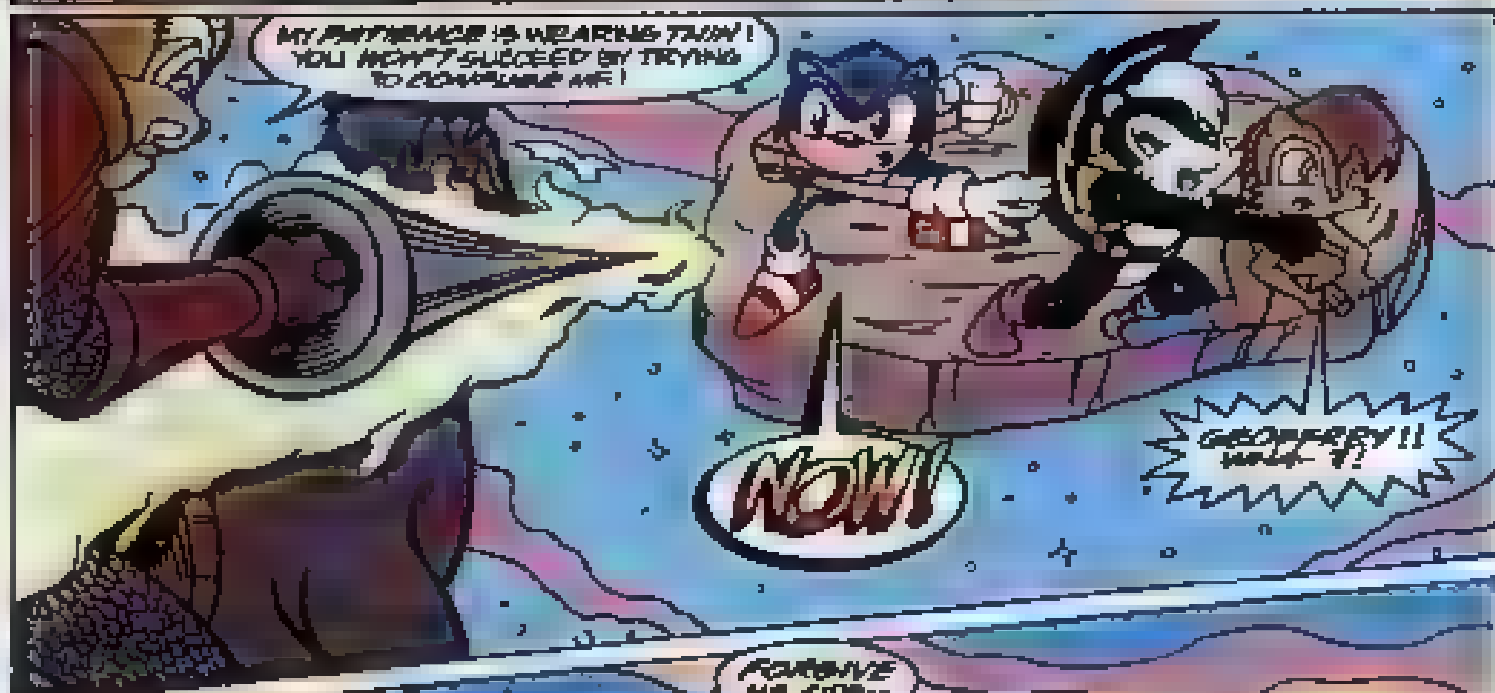
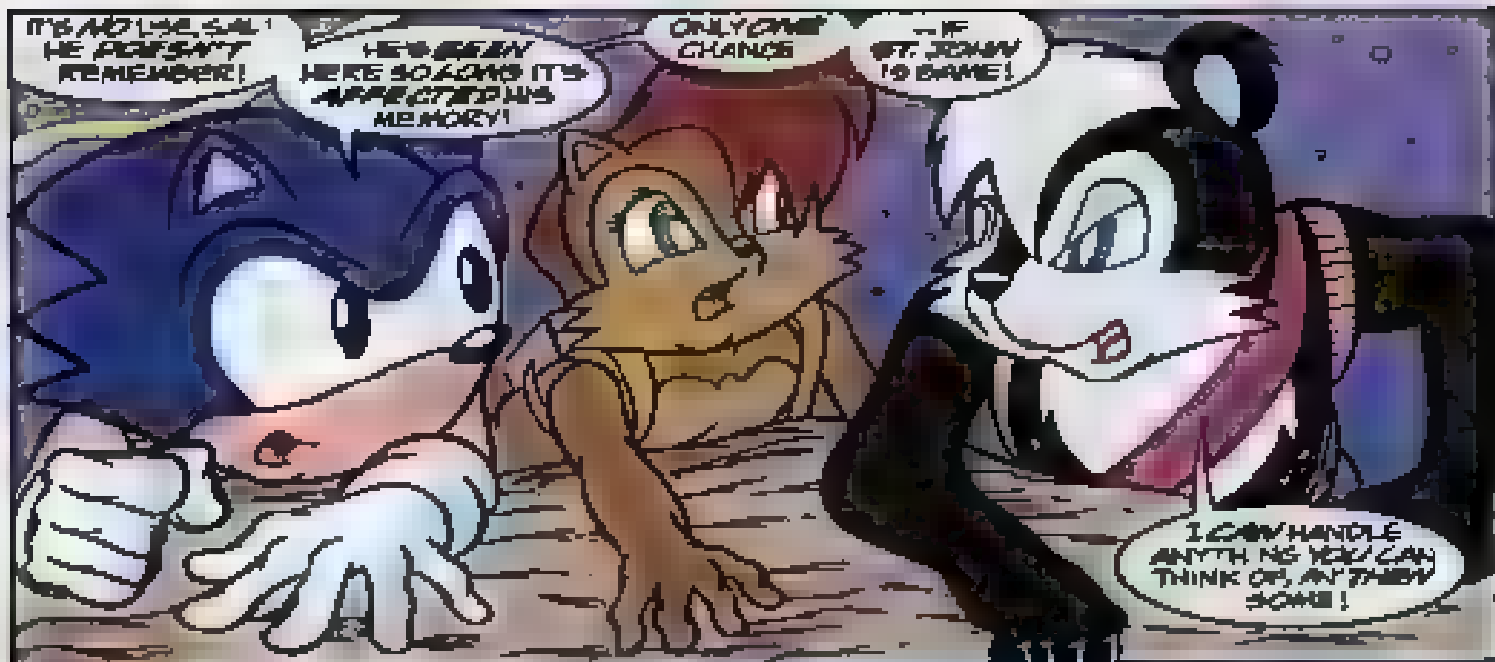
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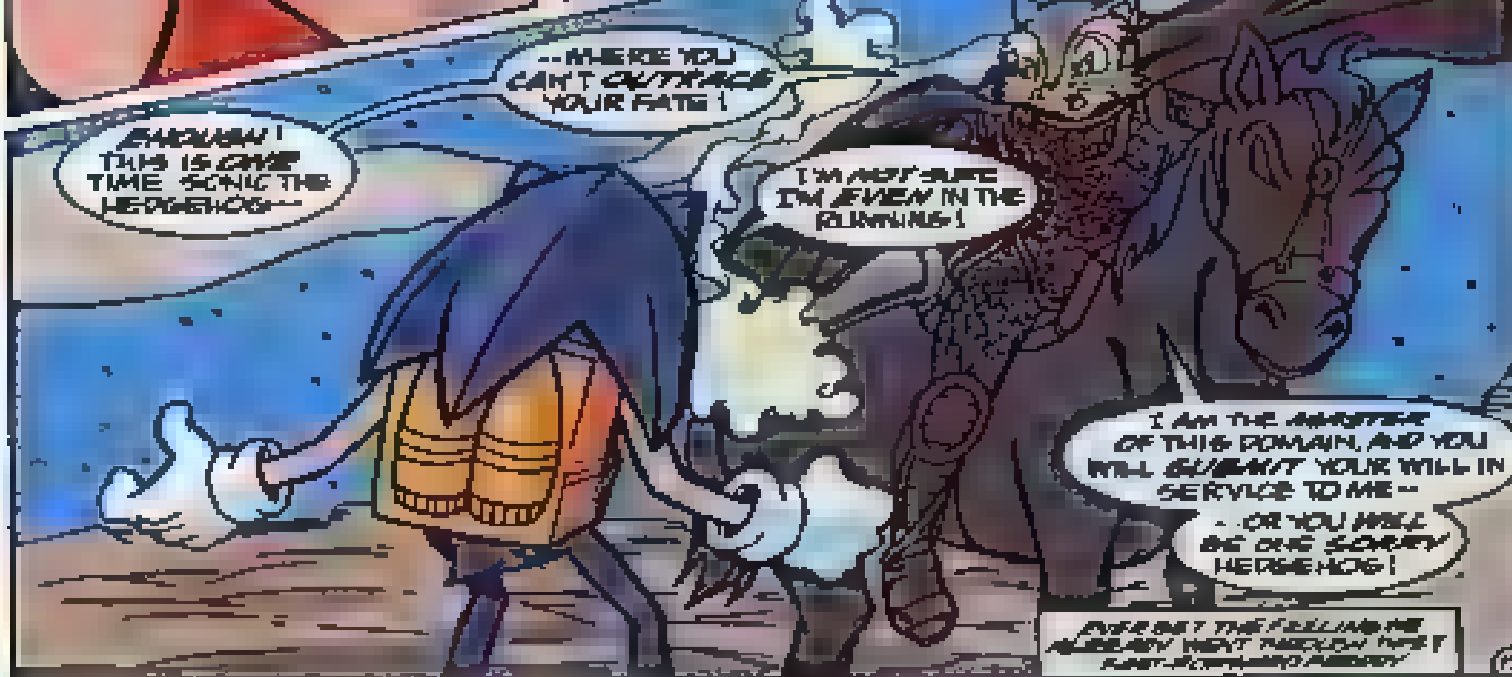
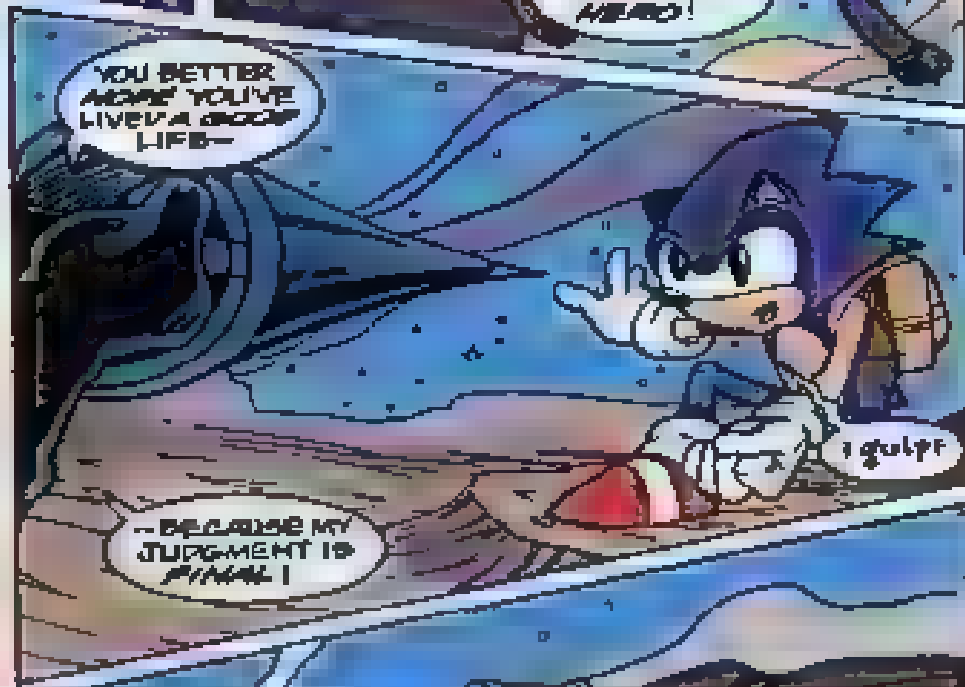
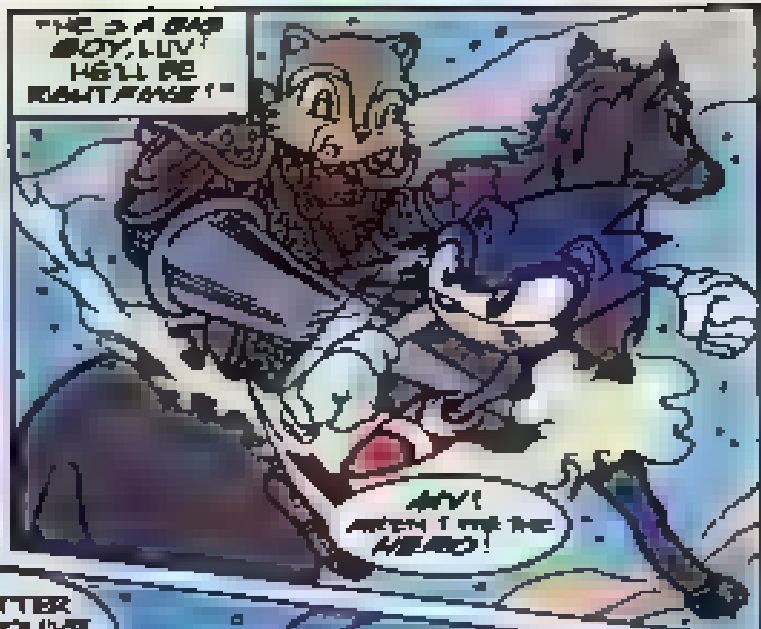
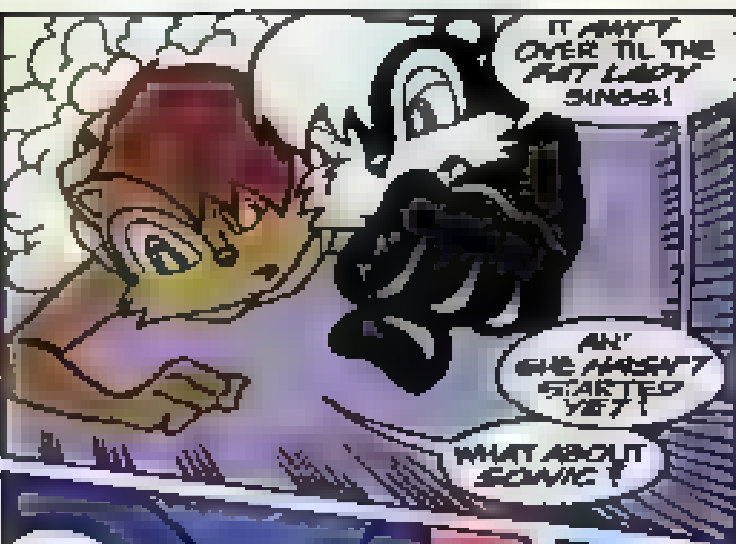
WAAH!
WHAT'S
THAT?!

—WHATEVER IT
IS, IT'S GOT PLENTY
O' COMPANY!

KING ACORN'S
MINIONS! THEY'RE
HEADING INTO THE
WHIRLPOOL!

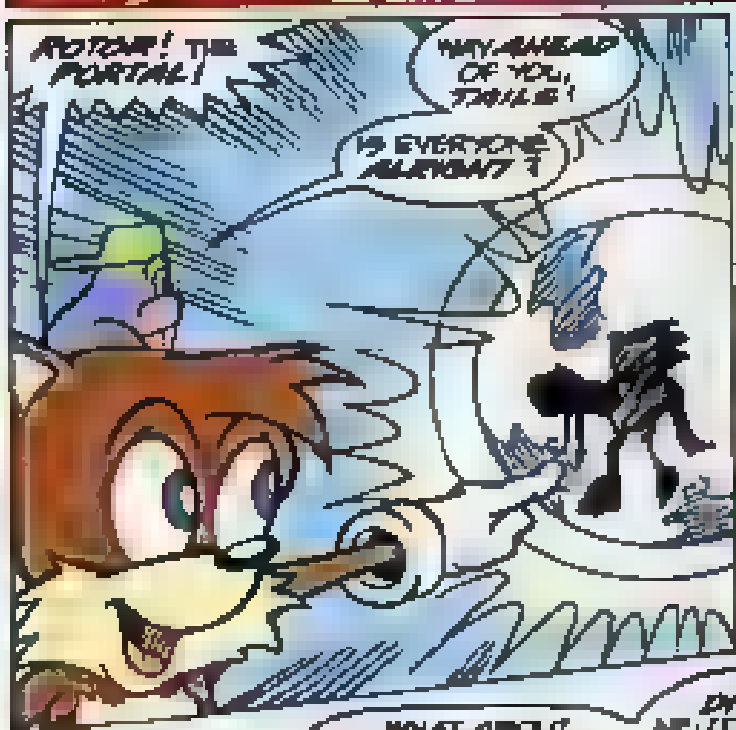








"-THIS ONE'S FOR ALL THE MARVELS!"



ROTUR! THE PORTAL!

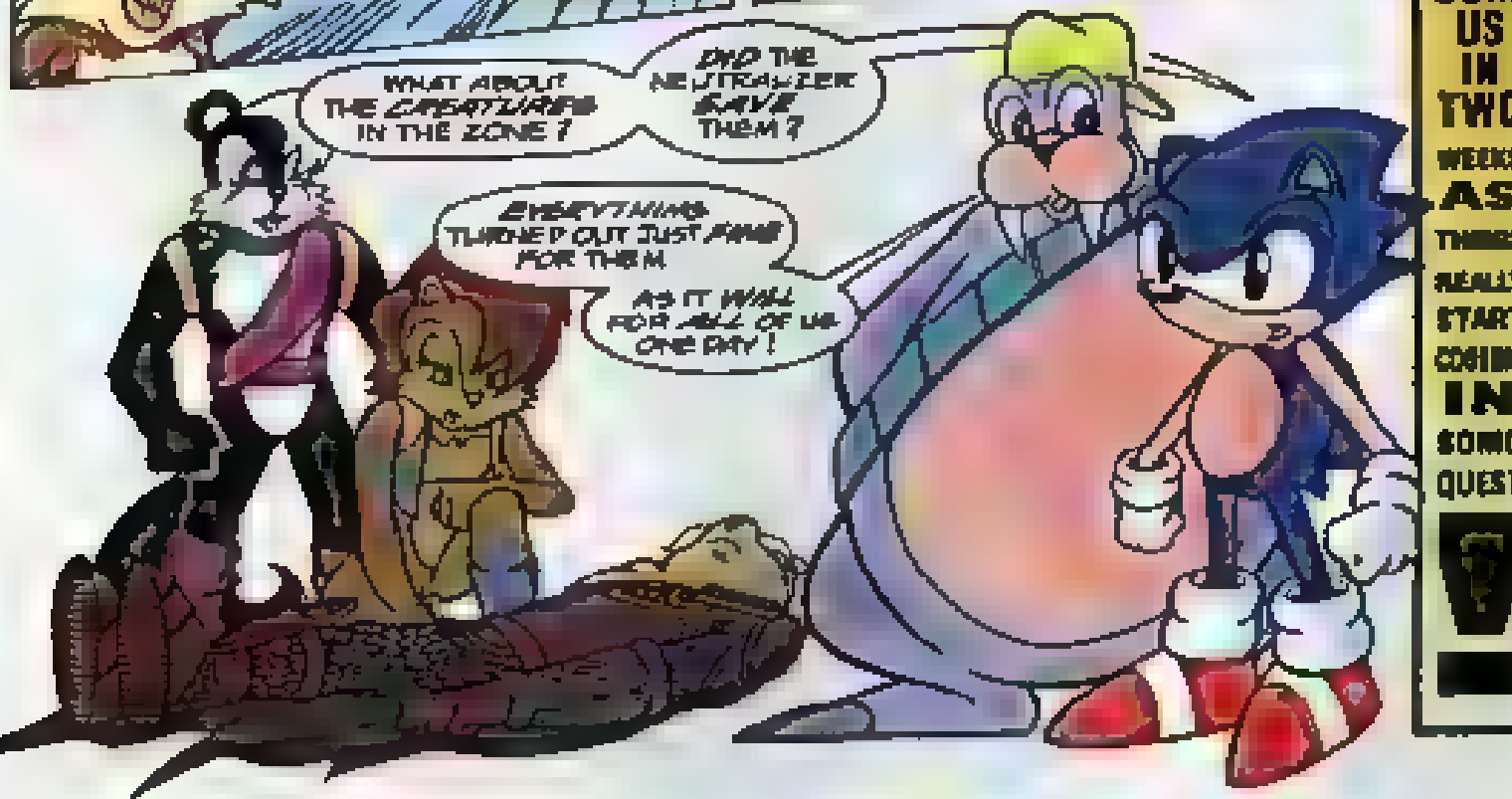
WAY AHEAD OF YOU, TAILS!

IS EVERYONE ALRIGHT?



GET DOCTOR CHUCK IMMEDIATELY, ROTUR!

HE'S GOT A VERY IMPORTANT PATIENT WAITING FOR HIM!



WHAT ABOUT THE CREATURES IN THE ZONE?

DID THE NEUTRALIZER SAVE THEM?

EVERYTHING TURNED OUT JUST FINE FOR THEM

AS IT WILL FOR ALL OF US ONE DAY!

JOIN US IN TWO WEEKS AS THINGS REALLY START COMING IN SOME QUEST



SONIC-GRAMS

SONIC SHOW'S NEW INTERN
DAVID HON EARE HOW TO
SWIM IN MAIL, LITERALLY!



THIS JUST IN

Continuity Alert! Continuity Alert!

For those of you readers who are "continuity conscious," the following info is just for you. Hey, the rest of you can listen in if you want.

As you know, SONICQUEST #1 follows the events in this issue. So does the entire SONICQUEST mini-series before returning to SONIC #42. Even though SONIC #42 will see print before the end of the SONICQUEST series, you will be able to read it without affecting the storyline. And what a storyline it is,

fast! Join Sonic and Tails on their solo mission against Dr. Robotnik's new "technological monstrosity" (bet you can't say that ten times fast... oh /maybe you can)...

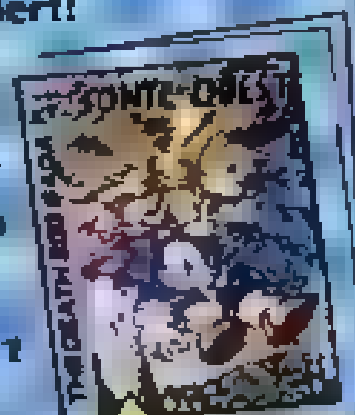
THE DEATH EGG!!!

Anyway, just thought you'd like to know.

Justin Freddy Gabrie
Editor



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Dear Sonic, Tails, and Knuckles,

My name is Alan Mattson. I have about thirty Sonic comics. My favorite is the SONIC VS. KNUCKLES 48-page special. I also have some questions for you: 1) In SONIC #32, you featured Mobie the Mobian bear. Could you put him in future issues? 2) How did you and Tails meet? 3) I'm really confused about who "Archimedes" is. I hope I'll find out in upcoming issues! 4) In SONIC #39, you showcased Quincy the last dragon. Could you put her in more issues? Well, my chili-dogs are getting cold! Gotta run!

Alan Mattson
Alberta, Canada

Hey, Alan. How goes it? Thanks for your letter on our 48-page special. How did you like our last 48-page "MECHA MADNESS"? 1) Check out SONIC #43 if you want to see more of Mobie the Cavebear. 2) That's a long story best left for another day. 3) If you read Knux's mini-series, you know who and what he is. 4) Yes, she will be back in future issues.

Dear Sonic,

My name is Anthony and I'm 14 years old. I've been reading your comics since SONIC #18 ("Welding Bell Blues") and I still enjoy it when you beat Robotnik.

Your TV show just started in Western Australia and I think it's great. I've taped every episode ever since. I have a few questions for you: 1) In SONIC #29 ("Steel Belled Sally"), Marty Joyce asked you if you and Robotnik were half brothers and you said no. But in SONIC #27 you called Robotnik "cousin." 2) Is Archimedes Knuckles' relative? 3) Is Robot going to have his own mini-series? 4) What issue did Bunnie get half robotized in? 5) Could you make an issue where some youngsters ask you and Sally about how the Freedom Fighters came together? That's all my questions for now.

Anthony O'Brien
Duchess Perth, WA

Thanks for writing, Ant. Let's get to your questions: 1) No, Ro-Bunnie isn't my half-brother. How could you even think that one and egg-boy are related? Sure, I called him "cousin," but that was just something cool to say at the time! 2) Nope. 3) No plans yet. 4) The



issue in which I narrowly rescued Bunnie from being half robotized is SONIC #3. 5) Is seems you're interested about the history of the Freedom Fighters. If you want to see a glimpse of that history, check out SONIC #43.

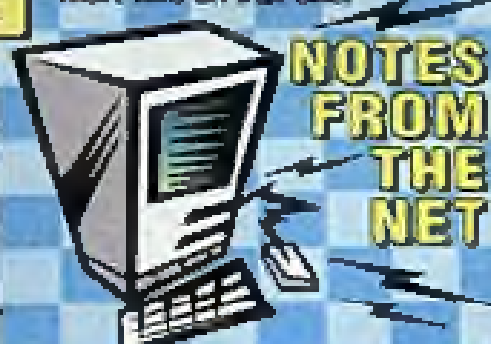
Dear Sonic,

I'm an only child, my birthday is June 26 and my favorite color is blue! I have a few questions to ask if it won't be any trouble: 1) In the Sonic book I have, it says that you were adopted by Uncle Chuck and that you knew Robotnik as a kid. Is that true? 2) Do you think you could draw a map of where you live? 3) When are you going to make a movie? I have some great ideas! 4) How come you don't have the Saturday

morning cartoons on anymore? 5) Why don't you have a Sonic holiday special? 6) I thought you knew Sally as a kid, but in another book that I have you meet as teenagers. Is this true?

Amy Marie Willis
Great Falls, Montana

Okay Amy, here's the deal: 1) Not That was just a horrible nightmare. 2) I can't... Robotnik might get a hold of it if I did! 3) When you're dealing with the big-wigs in Hollywood, you never know! 4 & 5) My cartoon is now on the USA Network six days a week, and on November 26 at 7:30PM, watch for my "X-TREMELY SONIC CHRISTMAS" also on USA. 6) Check out SONIC #43 for more info on that one.



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







I always knew that we Cyber-Mobians would finally get our day in the sun. It's great to know that we have a part of the comics to call our own and that Archie Comics has recognized that us Sonic fans with computers are legion. Thanks especially to Paul Castiglia for taking the idea seriously about a year ago and helping to make it a reality.

Now for a question which may have been addressed but which I don't think has ever been answered in the Sonic-Comics: On the cover of SONIC #31 there is a figure of someone drawn into the surface of one of the mountains — you can see it just above the oval advertising the Knuckles solo story. What's the significance, if any?

Daniel J. Drazen
Drazen@andrea.wa

Well Dan, the image in the side of the mountain is Spar's homage to ASTAI (the game character on Sega Saturn), his favorite at the time. In fact, how many homages to Sega characters can you find in SONIC #39?

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